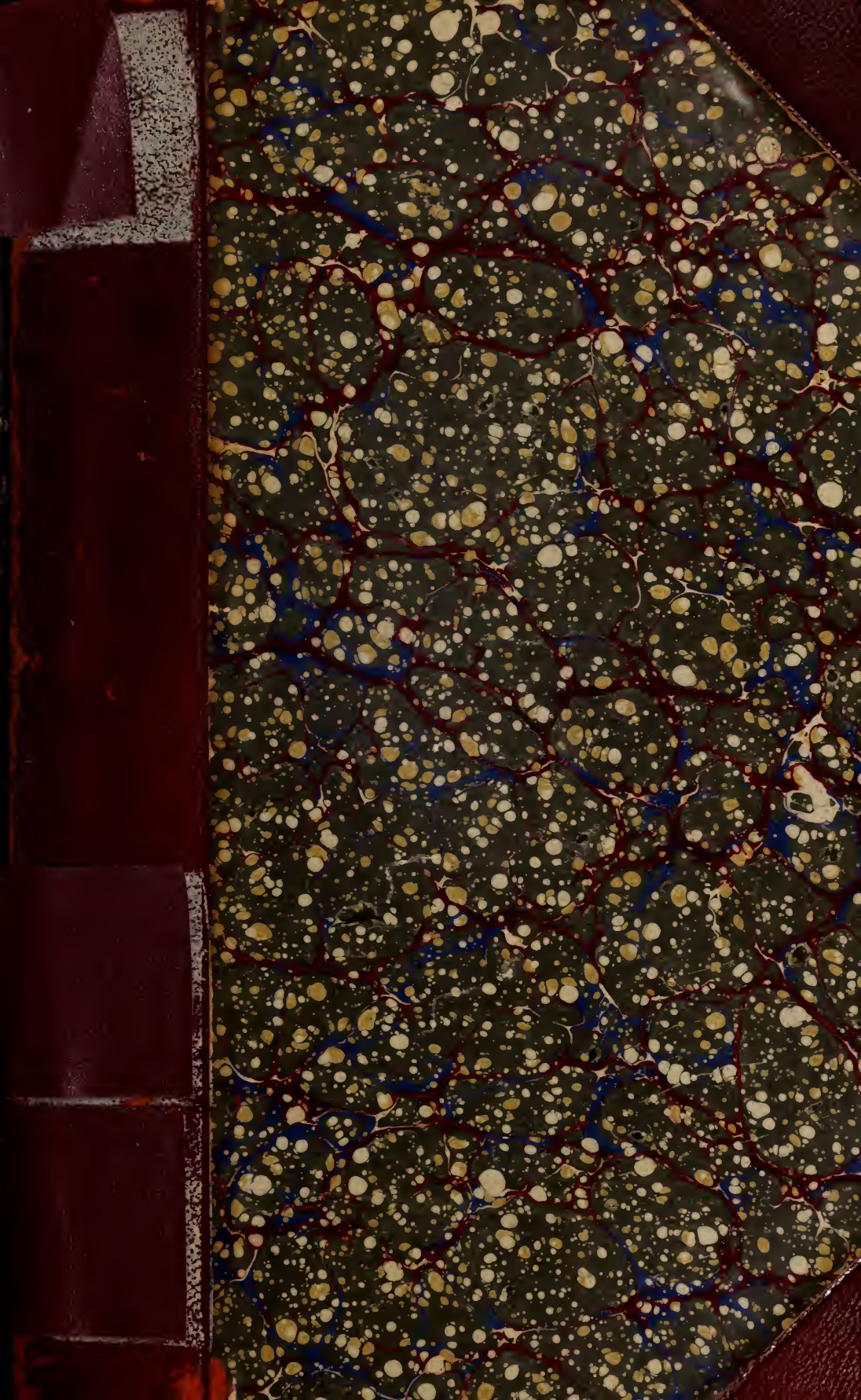

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WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN.

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AFTER long illness from typhoid fever, Secretary Arthur J. Brown is fast recovering and the Mission Rooms rejoice in the prospect of having him back soon.

OUR pages record the death of a missionary before reaching the land to which she had consecrated her life. Mrs. Johnson was Emily Hartman, class of '98, Park College, and went from Washington, Mo., where Mr. Johnson was pastor. Though in strange surroundings, her death lacked nothing of the usual tokens at home; tender nursing by Mrs. Cameron Johnson of Kobe, flowers from all classes of Americans, pall-bearers, composed of one business man and members of five missions. Rev. W. Y. Jones of Fukui, a Park man, conducted the funeral service, and Miss Mary Palmer, herself of Park, writes how missionaries of all churches dropped their work to be there. She says that when she saw the tears of sympathy on their faces, her heart "overflowed with gratitude to them, and to Christ that He has shown us how to be real brothers and sisters in Him."

WHO takes the chance? Two posts of magnificent opportunity are open to first-class medical women in our China missions.

IN her Report for 1902, Dr. Edna Parks of Wei Hien, China, says: "The one thing which has impressed me more than any other is the loving remembrance in which Dr. Mary Brown is held. Patients from far and near, city and country, speak of her and her teaching. Nineteen out of twenty who came to me have been Dr. Brown's patients or knew personally those whom she had helped. It should be an inspiration to follow her."

ITINERATING up river from Soochow, last November, Dr. Frances Cattell treated 557 patients in eighteen days. Dr. Elva Fleming had over a thousand new cases at Ichowfu, last year.

THE opening of the first medical college for women in China was a memorable event with which 1902 closed in Canton Mission. United States Vice-Consul Langhorn presided on the occasion, and representatives of several missions gave addresses. The college is only an expansion of the medical class which was established some years ago and has trained a number of physicians.

DOUW Hospital is the only one re-established for women in Peking, since the Boxer destruction. The American Board School for girls remains in Peking while ours is transferred to Paotingfu, thus the two missions in these cities may be accommodated by two schools instead of four. This is the meaning of comity.

PATIENTS appeal to the woman's dispensary at Teheran, Persia, for every sort of help, from removing freckles to healing dangerous maladies. Dr. Mary Smith says that, whatever their station, "the same dread is in the hearts of all, lest the husband become dissatisfied with them and take another wife. This is a story heard day after day." The general hospital, after being closed three years, has been re-opened since the arrival of J. Arthur Funk, M.D.

THE Syrian women's sewing society at Zahleh entertained eighteen meetings, last season, contributed $20.00 for purchasing materials and sewed over eighty garments for the poor. These efforts were commended by the new Pasha of Lebanon, on a recent visit.

ANOTHER "beautiful Christian character" among old students of Sidon, Syria, was lately removed from earth. Honored by her children, a support of women's meetings, a Dorcas for cutting out garments and teaching her neighbors to sew; the last word on her lips was "Jesus."

EVERY station in the Africa Mission sadly reports little itineration, for how

can it be done with such a limited force? On a trip northeast from Lolodorf, Dr. Lehman visited a town where Dr. Good went nine years ago, and no missionary had since passed that way. Dr. Lehman preached to a considerable audience and some asked when he would come again.

THE naphtha launch "Dorothy" has run perfectly and answered the purpose for which it was sent to the Gaboon waters.

OUT of four hundred Bulu expressing the wish to be Christians, at Élat, only six were accepted members of the church at its recent organization; the rest are under instruction.

DEFECTION in the little church at Efulen within two years after its founding does give a heartache, but we are grateful to the missionaries for faithfully reporting such facts. We will not, if we can help it, be open to the charge of welcoming and publishing only "rose-colored views" of missions.

OF eight charter members of Efulen church, the six women, so far as we know, stand firm. Of the two men who have fallen, one is not yet twenty years old, and it must be remembered that the Bulu have never seen the Church of God in her strength, they have no model by which to measure their little band in the bush. Paul had just such breakdowns in the church at Corinth, and James said "The husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit and hath long patience for it."

A HOSPITAL, boys' dormitory and workshop were erected by Mr. Salveter at Élat, last year, and a hundred Bulu school-boys, under Dr. Lippert's direction, cleared land and put in 6,000 plantains, 8,000 pineapples, besides cassava, sugar-cane and corn.

LEAFLETS prepared by Secretary Halsey, "A Look at Presbyterian Missions in Africa," for young people, and "Bulletin No. 1," may be had at headquarters of all Woman's Boards, as well as the new "Eastertide Service."

RICKETY bridges and bush paths of mud, stagnant water, entangling vines and fallen trees, in Bululand, are steadily giving place to German Government roads, by which, also, distances between places are shortened. Soldiers are sent to summon the people of a town to work the roads and as many as two hundred men and women, of five different tribes, have been seen laboring together.

FOR some years the Central China Mission has had in contemplation the establishment of a new station at Hwai Yuen, about one hundred miles northwest from Nanking, at the junction of the Hwai and Ko rivers. Occupation having been postponed a year on account of the Boxer outbreak, it was accomplished in Oct., 1901. Messrs. Lobenstine, Morris, and the Cochran brothers are the first foreigners to have lived in this walled city of 30,000 people.

MISSIONARY homes at Hwai Yuen have been made in the shadow of a fresh and tender sorrow. While the ladies were journeying up from Nanking to the new station, last autumn, the little son of Rev. and Mrs. Jas. Cochran died by the way.

GRATIFYING news—that the screen partition between men and women in the Third Church, Canton, has been removed and not a word of complaint heard. Dr. Beattie says: "The order on Sunday has improved, we look more like a body of Christians and begin to wonder why we ever tolerated the partition. This is a decided step forward."

"I CANNOT understand why it did not sting unless we are nearing the millennium," wrote Mrs. Eckels of Siam, regarding the centipede held tightly between thumb and finger of year-old Mary.

THIRTEEN Japanese Christians, residents of Seoul, Korea, have formed a Union Church. They were baptized into four different denominations in Japan.

A PRESBYTERIAN Church, for English-speaking people at Mexico City, has been organized and is at present ministered to by Dr. Chalfant, so long of Pittsburg, Pa.

A MOHAMMEDAN Chinese woman on a Yang-tse boat, "as pretty as a picture, with a wistful, unsatisfied look in her face," was asked by a fellow-passenger what she did all day. "Play cards mostly," was the answer. She was wife of a much-married official of Nanking.

Our Missionaries in Africa—AND POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Mrs. Jas. S. Cunningham,	Libreville, Congo Français.	Miss Isabella A. Nassau,	Batanga, Kameruns.
Mrs. C. De Heer,	Benito, "	Mrs. H. L. Weber,	" "
Mrs. E. A. Ford,	" "	Mrs. W. C. Johnston,	Efulen, "
Mrs. Reutlinger,	" "	Mrs. Robt. M. Johnston,	" "
Mrs. W. C. Gault,	Batanga, Kameruns.	Mrs. Chas. W. McCleary,	Élat, "
Mrs. F. G. Knauer,	" "	Mrs. Wilmer S. Lehman,	Lolodorf, "
Mrs. Peter Menkel,	" "		

In this country:—Mrs. Wm. M. Dager, Scotch Grove, Iowa; Mrs. Albert Lippert, Station L, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. T. Spencer Ogden, Cranbury, N. J.

SINGLE MEN'S CORPS IN THE AFRICA MISSION.

Rev. R. H. Milligan,	Libreville.	Rev. Melvin Fraser,	Élat.
Rev. Frank Hickman,	Benito.	Mr. Harry D. Salveter,	Lolodorf.

Around the World Series.

V. Across Shantung by Mule Power.

The start was from Chiningchow* and in the blue cart, but not till after three notable days spent in that great walled city of southwest Shantung. We had reached it by three weeks' travel from Shanghai, *via* the Yang-tse and Grand Canal.

For the first time in all the missions visited, from Beirût eastward, there was no woman's face to welcome me. Six months, Rev. J. H. Laughlin and Dr. Chas. Lyon had held this station alone, but Mr. and Mrs. Harry Romig had come up in our party and, as we were ushered to the dining-room, the fair young wife from Texas was gracefully installed in the place of hostess. Dr. Neal from Chinanfu completed our circle, so Princeton stories were capped by Yale stories, time-honored grinds were evenly exchanged and the laugh went gaily round. Oh, the beauteous bouquet on the table! Lilacs more delicate than were ever seen in New York, paling from true lilac to lavender, were bunched with joyous pink and white crabapple blossoms and shining green leaves. Our hosts had been accustomed to accept unchallenged whatever was convenient to the cook, but arrivals from America shook up the kitchen. Delicious tenderloin (three cents a pound) was set before us, and rare canned peaches, grown in Shantung and presented by a Chinese telegraph operator, were brought down from the top shelf.

Ten years have wrought enormous changes at Chiningchow. 1891—missionaries mobbed; 1901—the compound officially protected from Boxers. First property rights were secured with difficulty; now they can have all the land they want. 1892—Mr. Laughlin, his wife and her sister, making themselves as inconspicuous as possible, came here, the only foreigners (for a time) if not the only Christians in the whole city. They lived in a few, poor, Chinese rooms, thankful that the floors were brick instead of earth, and never allowed themselves so much as a pane of glass without considering their neighbors' prejudices. See the ant-heap of life here in 1902! Mountains of old bricks, mountains of new bricks, piles of boards, heaps of tile, a great mortar bed, and sixty workmen plying their odd-shaped tools. Dr. Lyon's house is going up two-storied, with stone coping, bay window and piazzas. Ten years ago, such a house would have thrown the city into a panic.

Against it stands a slim, young pear tree, dressed like a bride. This is prophecy, for she will come in the fall. Yonder walnut tree ("English") is history. Its blossoms hang in heavy aments, but its back is bent. In the years when it was crowded and stinted of sunshine, human life was crowded at greater cost. Those close Chinese buildings have now been torn away, the Lane home, the Van Schoick home, and others, and April sunshine floods the vacant space. The walnut may respond and straighten up; some of those lives of self-denial have been accepted of God, a completed offering, and they go on and expand where He is.

The Bachman Hospital looks deserted. It will need re-building, the woman's

* *Jeening-Jo*, as there pronounced.

hospital also. The now dusty museum has played a cheerful part in making friends for the gospel, and can do it again. Mrs. Laughlin's tireless hand is seen in the picture-covered walls, cases of dolls, birds, mechanical toys. You may hear Sousa's band in the graphophone, but in my ears a voice of pathos is saying, "In labors more abundant." One building, only, has always been handsome, the chapel. It was formerly the guestroom of the wealthy gentleman from whom this property was purchased. Opposite the platform is one of those screen-like Chinese walls, black wood frame, carved in key pattern and backed by oiled paper, which admits the light. Scrolls containing the Commandments, in character, hang on the walls, and a board inscribed "The Jesus Church," which was presented by heathen neighbors and bears their names.

Under escort I made a tour of the city in sedan chair, the curtain of conservatism drawn in front. We went into the most public places, were gone two hours and not once heard "foreign devil." It was no stagnant city. The canal was choked with a pushing jam of boats. Everywhere, horses, mules, squeaking wheelbarrows, were in motion; the market-place throbbed with industry. A high hill was pointed out which had been created from dredgings of the canal. Bands of old women pilgrims, tipping along on their heels and leaning on long staves, followed a red banner about the streets. There was no marked poverty or suffering in evidence. People were large-framed, rough-looking. As compared with Canton, Chining is on the face of it unreligious. Few were the shrines, very few the gods in sight and there was none of that bold display of religion in the shops which is universal at Canton. Is it because Confucius is master here?

The Lord's Day silenced the workmen's hammers and, with immobile faces, they sat on the chapel benches through two services. Mr. Wang preached, and read a letter which pleased the church people, from the absent elder, a good man who has longed for their souls. He wrote of a fresh Christian experience, that henceforth he was "dead to the world." There were 180 in the morning congregation. The women with their bright-eyed children were behind a sagging blue curtain on one side. The only large-footed woman present acted the part of agreeable usher. All the Christian women were forbearing and courteous to the heathen, who stalked in and out, peeked around into the men's side and stared at us Americans with a fixity of gaze not to be beaten on this planet. The woman two seats in front of us wore the dead look of heathenism: cheeks bronze-colored, gray hair which they generally plaster down with care, wildly unkempt, a greasy headband, not a line of gentleness in her face—yet she gave me a smile for a smile.

Sunday was the date for the annual procession of the City God. All the rest of the year he remains in temple retirement, but comes out, the 28th day of the second moon, to take a turn about the city and see whether its walls are still plumb and its gates sound. This procession is the one public demonstration of religious life in Chining, and, as such, it was shocking to observe no touch of reverence or devoutness. People, in fulfillment of vows, straggled along, one cannot say marched, with their heads in a cangue, or rattling chains on neck and ankles, or naked to the waist. Banners, many of them beautiful, were carried in squads, or spears in squads, or honorific boards, or trays of incense. Now, a detachment of fancy umbrellas went by, now ghoulish masks, clowns, lanterns of singular shapes. One group clanged cymbals, one beat gongs; men on stilts, men on rough horses, and, finally, his godship brought up the rear. A gilt image four feet high, in imperial yellow, wearing the expression of a suave yamen runner, was seated under a canopy and borne on the shoulders of men. At the terminus of his route, the head official of the city would prostrate himself before the image, and then the gods must look out for Chiningchow another year. People outside the procession spent no enthusiasm upon it and, as an exhibition in the name of religion, it was the most sodden and empty that I ever saw.

Was it that sight of the city so befooled, so dark, so far from God, that weighed down our hearts as we of a favored land met to pray in the evening? I think it was more than that.

Shantung, her cities well known to us, her cities which we were about to see; the great materialistic province; Shantung with her forty millions was taking hold on us. "The 150 missionaries here are a drop in the bucket" said one of us, and turned our thoughts to the Creator of the ends of the earth, and we sang Luther's hymn.

While Christianity has won respect in the city, its chief strength is out in the surrounding country, and this is true of all mission stations in Shantung.

Next day, Chiningchow with its dear interests was left behind. Ahead of us stretched two weeks of care-free holidaying in the open air, among scenes varied, novel, instructive. Two weeks of droning along to the tune of a mule bell, not once to hear a whistle shriek, a half-hemisphere away from the rumble of an elevated train. It looked fascinating at the outset; at the end, European picture galleries, in comparison, appeared wearisome and flat.

We had the regulation Shantung cart, springless, two-wheeled, a snug edition of a prairie schooner, with rounded blue cotton roof. It was drawn by two forlorn white mules, tandem, in clothesline harness. Trunk and food-box were lashed behind; the floor was soft with our bedding outfit, and Chinanfu pillows, big and comfortable, were disposed about on which to lean or bury one's shoulders when the mules gave a sudden jerk. My seat was directly over the axle, but a life-preserver had been provided—a set of chair springs which a good doctor had left at Chining. It is sociable traveling in the blue cart. The front is open to air and sky and view. Dr. Neal curls up on the seat built out over the shafts and pretends it is very nice, and the good-humored, long-backed carter sits beside him, swinging his long whip. Sometimes, on side roads, the Shantung silence enveloped us like a blessed dream and we breathed in calm at every pore. We rested ourselves by frequent long walks; gathered violets, potentilla, blue and white vetches; examined ancient stones or the drill of a pattern centuries old, with which two men and a restive bullock were planting millet. It has only two channels for seed and a Dakota steam planter, which sows thirty-two furrows at once, would require the power of forty animals like this one.

The points of compass could be defined by a glance at the village houses, running in gray brick rows due east and west. With Chinese thrift they take full advantage of a southern exposure and have no windows on the north. Peach trees in pink blossoms, met the eye in every direction, thorn apple and pear in white, clumps of leafing poplars. One of the commonest objects seen on the horizon was a parallelogram of several acres, planted with rows of cedar* trees and often enclosed by a handsome wall. This is the place of ancestral graves. We often saw the sunniest uplands of this over-populated province devoted to graveyards. A missionary remarked to a hard-pressed landholder who had many mouths to feed, "You ought to cultivate your best land, instead of using it for graves." "Of course the dead are more important than the living," was the answer. Occasionally the clockworks of Chinese brains seem to have run down.

The only outriders of our blue cart were one mule, shared between muleteer and cook, and a military escort of two soldiers who accompanied us from one yamen to the next, where our papers were signed, they bowed us good-by and gave place to others. This guard was for the peace of mind of a little lady in Chinanfu and was sometimes with us, sometimes elsewhere, always a diversion, and, especially once, looked like a pair of distinguished brigands, as they rode their fine bay horses, bareheaded, in red jackets with the usual round yamen badge embroidered on the back, and a gun, which possibly could be fired, hanging over their shoulders.

Our hours of joy had two eclipses every day, for at noon and night the animals must rest and feed at a Chinese inn. Were it not for those mules, and had the roads been safe, I would rather never have left our conveyances, for the inns are barbarous places. One after another was rejected. This was full of wood-fire smoke, that of barrowmen, a third wouldn't do at all, and opium smokers occupied a fourth. All this fastidiousness on *my* account. But when one is safe and dry, there is no vermin, expenses are small and, in the

* Half cedar, half arbor vitæ.

most awful inn, the butter is handed her with as much grace as in a banquet hall, a woman must be very exacting to demand more on an inland journey in China.

And we must stop somewhere. While the cook was getting up a hot soup, or chicken, my note-book came out and I wrote for dear life, the peeking eyes of women and children fixed wonderingly upon me. Accommodations were much alike. A heavy, carved table of handsome wood, its surface thick overlaid with grease, faced the doorway and was flanked on either side by chairs of the same dignified style. We covered the table with thick newspapers and a white cloth and tried to forget it, as we put the food to our mouths, but to this day that unsavory table resolutely holds its own in my memory. Floors were hard earth, bedsteads were boards built, berth-like, against the wall. We were sure of our beds, for we brought them with us. My private boudoir opened on the court, and against the shackly door I piled a barricade of articles that would easily rattle down with a noise. Either there was a paper window, through which a boy stuck his finger and glued his eye to the spot, or, preferably, the room was dark, had never been anything but dark, and the air was dank with ancient history. The last sounds, as I sank into that deep slumber which one earns in a jolting cart, were a mingling of donkey bells, munching of mules, voices of barrow-men, and the feet of animals splashing in the mire of the court. The second day was the worst. Our course was northwest. It rained and blew and pelted from the northeast, and it rained and grew cold, and rained and waxed colder. Inside a kind missionary's fur jacket, I defied pneumonia, but Dr. Neal's overcoat was wet through. As we drew up for the night at the inn-yard of Ning Yang, a swamp of filth and crowded with barrows and reeking animals, the Doctor stood and shaking himself disgustedly expressed his mind with emphasis: "I never do *so* hate a Chinese inn as when I have to take a foreign lady to it!"

Leaving Ning Yang was as uninviting as our arrival. By the light of a tallow candle and half awake, I washed my face, put on my wraps and, without breakfast, sank among the cart pillows, a heap of misery, as we drove out of the gate at 5:45 in the chilly morning. We chose such a start and a cold sandwich for the sake of our goal ahead, and we were repaid when, after covering forty-four miles, we arrived by moonlight at the home of a Southern Baptist missionary, in old Tai An city, and were hospitably welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. King. One must go to China to appreciate such a sudden return to Christian civilization.

Another evening we had come to Wan Dei, and our joyful surprise may be imagined when Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton walked in at the door of our "Waldorf-Astoria." Our own dear people! Up to this time, of all the millions of China met on the road, in all the mud-walled villages we had passed through, all the large walled towns we had traversed from end to end, while many faces looked friendly, not one, so far as we knew, was the face of a Christian. Our route had taken us outside of itineration districts, and it seemed as if we were in a lonely world where our Father had no sons and daughters to take delight in Him. Now we had struck one of the edges of Chinanfu parish, and Mrs. Hamilton with her little daughter had been out three weeks in a community of Christians, teaching and strengthening them. Mr. Hamilton had just come and inside his coat pocket was a fresh package of letters from America, which we received as manna from the skies.

The fifth day we were to reach Chinanfu. That joyful thought, the wonderful road we were traveling—the Great Road that from time immemorial has been the highway between Peking and Chinkiangpoo on the Grand Canal —and the constant procession of life moving in both directions, kept eye and brain in a state of excitement. Here were China's millions. People bent on business; pilgrims, many of them women in their best, going to the holy mountain; crowds, bound to the four-days' fair at a local temple. It is held twice a year; sundry articles, baskets and wooden shovels, can be bought which are not found in the ordinary market. There is a theatre, too, on the temple grounds. That takes with the boys. It costs them nothing, being paid for by

subscriptions of business men who hope to recoup themselves through the fair. We met carts like our own, several women often in a space which I occupied alone and their curtain dropped in front. How can they breathe? There were pedestrians, riders horse or donkey-back, and wheelbarrows innumerable, with canopy or without. Some had on board all the women of a house, their cheeks freshly painted, their gay parasols up, on their way to pay a family visit. But the mass of barrows were carrying stuff to market, at Tai An or Chining: loads of salt, bags of Shantung flour, cases of bean oil, bales of cloth, rolls of bright-colored yarn. A great man was moving, and his carts, household possessions and retinue monopolized a stretch of road. At one point we descended a slight pitch. Our guard, this time in brilliant orange jackets, led the way and in the few moments consumed fifteen barrows had gathered, besides carts and foot passengers, waiting for us to pass. These are only the traveling fraction. Think of all the Chinese who stay at home!

Now and again in the afternoon our road became a narrow pass between high mounds of loas, blown down from Northwest China, and the surface dust choked the air. Fine mountain scenery drew nearer as we approached the capital of the province and, finally, we have entered its gates, halted beside the lakes and water springs which are a unique feature of the city and a source of revenue; have emerged from the east gate; and there, only a few minutes away, but spread out in an open green space within the suburb wall, Chinanfu Station is seen at last, and we are literally in its embrace, for Mrs. Neal has come to welcome us and Dr. Mary Burnham carries me off to her charming home, where she will have me sleep in no other than her own best bed. These two women composed "the station" when the blue cart set us down there.

One can only hint at what was enjoyed at Chinanfu.

The city was observed from a sedan chair: fine shops and long business streets full of activity; the remarkable temple of Governor Chang where incense and prayers are offered, not to an ancient god but a deified man who died a few years ago; not to an image but a lifelike painting on silk, recognizable by Chang's old neighbors and fellow-citizens. It seems there is nothing to prevent illimitable multiplication of the gods in China. An elegant little theatre adjoins Chang's temple, and high windows upstairs command a beautiful distant view as well as the lake in the foreground, across which we saw a flock of boats coming to swell the audience at the big theatre of another temple. Chinese attend theatre in daylight, the only resemblance which I discovered between them and the ancient Greeks.

My host gratified my pet desires by showing me the governor's yamen and the Yellow River. Yuan Shih Kai, now the great viceroy, was a prisoner for weeks, in his own yamen here, at the time he was protecting foreigners against Boxers. The Hoang Ho is not seen from the city, but from the Temple to the Thousand Buddhas, on the high hill south of Chinan. Through a glass we distinctly saw sails moving on that heaving yellow flood, the whimsical tyrant that for ages long has both made the dry land and swallowed it, like a very dragon devouring villages and men. Amid the display of venerable idol worship on the hill, we took a cup of tea and then slowly proceeded down the long steep flight of stone steps which are an impressive temple feature on so many high hills in Asia. These steps were decorated at intervals with harsh-voiced beggars in suggestive pose, and there I saw one of the most horrible sights of my life—a woman just in front of us pounding her forehead on the steps until the blood flowed—not for religion's sake but in the hope of coaxing cash o' of our pockets. Poor China!

The day was sweet with spring, and as we came across the wide place of graves between the hill and Chinan, the sunshine lay warm upon the sacred spot where a few "dead in Christ," beginning with McIlvaine, have been laid to rest. Among them I noticed a small grassy mound, offering its perpetual testimony against the Chinese denial of immortality to little children. There was no separating wall between graves of American and Chinese, and this aspect of foreigners making themselves citizens of the land of their adoption

was rather characteristic of Chinan. Since 1900 the station does not confine itself to Chinese dress, as formerly, but the buildings,* especially the two fine hospitals, are one-storied and in the best style of Chinese architecture, and great regard is had to Chinese etiquette. Chinanfu women may well love their hospital with its protected grassy court, surrounded by piazzas. I saw Dr. Burnham's enthusiasm in her clinic, and Mrs. Neal teaching fractions with all her heart, to bright, good-faced boys. There were thirty of them, all from Christian families, and their school appetite had been whetted by a vacation of two years.

All Saturday afternoon we were on the *qui vive* of expectation. Like the day before Thanksgiving, every train was bringing somebody home. Mrs. Murray came first, with Helen, flying through clouds of dust on a wheelbarrow, a whole day and a half distant from the out-station where she was putting in some of her loving labor. Her hospitable heart had brought her all that way to meet us, and she would toil back through the dust two days later. Mr. Murray had candidates to examine and a communion service and could not come. An hour passed, then another breeze, for the Hamiltons arrived. Excitement was rising, the afternoon was waning, could it be that—No, no, there go the mule bells! and we all rushed out simultaneously from the four residences, and with a hilarious welcome greeted the Wei Hien cavalcade. The yard was a lively scene. There were three shenzas, for Mr. Chalfant, the English governess and her Chinese chaperon, respectively, besides extra animals and muleteers. Jokes were bandied and news exchanged. Helen and Mary Louise fell upon the neck of their young teacher; portly Yin Dossa was led off by her Chinese friends; the loosened mules kicked up their heels regardless, but nobody minded them and, gradually, the station quieted down to take dinner.

(To be continued.)

*Mr. Hamilton's house is an exception, has two stories.

First Church Organized at Élat, in Bululand.

[From a letter.]

We had a splendid day at Élat last Sunday. [October, 1902.] Mr. Johnston came up with me and Dr. Lippert met us with his horse at Anyuzok. We got there on Friday, and Saturday we had the preliminary organization. Mr. Johnston gave a devotional talk. I spoke about the duties and obligations of church membership, Mr. Fraser organized them and Osom was elected elder. Sunday morning was a beautiful opening for the work in hand. The day was lovely and the crowd 855 by actual count, babies and dogs excluded from the number.

Mr. Fraser had general charge. Mr. Salveter led the opening prayer. Mr. Johnston preached. Mr. Fraser baptized the six members and two children. Then Osom was ordained, Mr. Fraser asking the questions and Mr. Johnston offering prayer. Then I charged elder and people and administered the bread in the communion service, Mr. Johnston serving the wine. Dr. Lippert closed with prayer and then came the collection.

It had been announced that only 150 cassavas could be received,* and there was a rush to get them in before the number was completed. There were at least two or three times as many brought, and those from whom we could not take them were told theirs would be received on Wednesday or Friday. The list of gifts is interesting:

Eight large, 23 small, cutlasses; 22½ cloths, 5 small baskets, 3 small kegs powder, 2 small ivories, 6 red sashes, 2 felt hats, 1 bar soap, 2 head shawls, 6 bunches beads, 1 comb, 1 tennis belt, 1 mirror, pomade, 43 buttons, 1 basin, 1 pan, 1 trade razor, 2 pocket knives, 3 butcher knives, 3 red caps, 4 eggs, 4 arm rings, 2 spools thread, 1 tin teaspoon, 3 small pieces of brass wire, 4 neptunes,† 1 bunch plantains, 1 basket micawbo,‡ 1 bunch ndo'o seeds, 40 chickens, 1 mirror, 43.73 marks, cash.

The value of this collection was $35.00, American money; in purchasing power, $350. It was certainly remarkable and ought to put many of our American audiences to shame.

Wm. M. Dager.

* As more would spoil before they could be used.—EDITOR.
† Brass trays used as currency, especially in buying women.
‡ Resembles the potato.

First Church Members at Élat.

Êvindi, Ôsela, and Biwola are the women of our infant church at Élat. Êvindi the oldest of the three, is the eldest also in Christian experience. Her life has been a hard one. The sincerity of her purpose has been repeatedly put to the test, but through good report and ill she has triumphed. She has several children, and I believe realizes her responsibility toward them in the way of example and precept.

Ôsela is an earnest, quiet woman, wife of a polygamist, but the fact that she is one of many wives has not made her any less careful in her wifely duties. Always regular in attendance upon the means of grace, an eager listener, she has been true and "adorns the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things."

Biwola is the wife of Osom. That alone, aside from other reasons, makes her environment more favorable to Christian growth, than is the case with either of the other women. In their loyalty to each other, Biwola and her husband are certainly an example.

Osom, the elder, is but a young man. The Bulu have no way of knowing ages, but I suspect he is not over twenty-eight. Blessed with a sunny disposition, he is a veritable tonic to every one he meets. Quick to grasp an idea, he exhibits good sense in carrying it out. He has done much already to help both missionary and native and what he has accomplished is, I believe, but the beginning in his career of usefulness. Like many another of his race, he grew to young manhood in ignorance but, unlike them, he knew that he was ignorant and set about to improve himself. When Osom appeared in the schoolroom, the missionary was surprised to find him able to read. Upon inquiry it was found that he had been taking lessons from one of the boys in his town, who had been at the mission. He and his wife are both in school now, and as the baby is not old enough to keep house, he comes too. Their little boy and Êvindi's youngest, were the two children baptized when the church was organized. For some time before I left home* Osom was visiting distant towns each Sabbath, telling the "Old Story."

During our first year in Africa, we had Osom for awhile as servant. It was a pleasure to have him about, and he was "just splendid" to help us in the language, but it was hard for him to learn the white man's ways. I recall some amusing experiences, and some that were not very amusing, at the time. One day I went to see how the washing was progressing. Clothes that were on the line looked well, but where were the pillow-cases? In the tub of dirty water with black stockings.

RECESS AT THE BOYS' SCHOOL, ÉLAT.

Such characters as Osom, and the women I have named, form the nucleus of the church at Élat. Will you not unite with us in praying that they may grow in grace and in the knowledge of Christ, and be used of God to bring many others into the fold?

(*Mrs. W. M.*) *Sadie Shaw Dager.*

* Mrs. Dager while in America thinks of Élat as "home."

Individual Africans and Their Needs.

"Can you really love those naked black people?" some one asks. We do not love their nakedness but we cannot help loving their souls, their personality. Do you love that bright-eyed, smiling little girl in your school? Is it not the youth, the personality that draws you to the children? Just in the same way are we drawn to the children of Africa as soon as they become individuals to us. Why do you take interest in certain young men whom you try to help to a better life? Is it not because you see something in them that should not perish? Just the same we see under that black skin manhood and womanhood that need Christ. They have the need and we have the supply, the Christ. When you think of Africa, think of individuals with individual charms, individual sins, individual desires.

BARAKA CHURCH, LIBREVILLE—Side view.
Orange tree in foreground, mango beyond the church. Cocoanut palm on this side.

Here is a woman whose mother was a servant of God, one who had such strength of character that she kept her daughter from entering a life of sin. This daughter now has a family of three boys and two girls. The oldest boy has yielded to temptation and stolen money; the Government (French) has sentenced him to some years of imprisonment; the mother heart aches for him and she says, "He is big but is only a child and the punishment is too hard. I hope it will do him good. I told him if only he had listened to my words he would not have gotten into this trouble." She came to me and pleaded "Mamma, do not give up ———, but help me with him" Just the same mother heart as we find here!

See this older Christian. In his younger days he struggled hard with drink; at last he has overcome and is accepted into the membership of the church. His son dies, and relatives from far and near come to the mourning. Many of them are heathen, therefore they have heathen dancing and rum drinking. The old man yields to the temptation and becomes drunk. He will be disciplined for it. Can you condemn him? No; rather, lovingly pity and pray for him.

We have in the Gaboon Church some very fine Christian women. They are found in their seats every Sunday, morning and evening. Here is Ma Sarah who, with the help of a Christian husband, has brought up a nice family. Last year her only daughter was received into the church and a little later was married. Pray that she may follow her mother's good example.

Here is old Keya who is always ministering to some sick one, sick and weak herself most of the time. Tito is another one often found by the sick. She attended church with some regularity but only lately asked to be baptized. Pray that her wonderful activity may now be used in the Lord's work. Here is another, who though she has been in missionary homes much of her life, and a member of the church, has yielded to sin. Pray for her that, knowing of Him, she may accept the Saviour.

Here is another Christian who is asked to help dig a grave for a missionary baby. He is a house servant so is not obliged to do this, though ordinarily he would gladly respond. But now he is expecting a baby in his own home, and the superstition is that all will not be well with the mother if the father has any-

thing to do with a grave. He makes the excuse, is advised to be triumphant over superstition and show what it means to be a Christian. At last with sullen, dogged determination he does as he is bidden. Would you not anxiously await the result?

Pray not for the mass but for individuals. "I have prayed for *thee* that *thy* faith fail not." (Luke 22: 32.)

(*Mrs. E. A.*) *Léonie S. Ford.*

Life at Lolodorf.

[Extracts from family letters.]

August 2, 1902.—Best item I have to tell anybody and everybody is that we are home, in our own little bark house and among our own people (so far as a foreign missionary does *own* a house and a people).

I thought we would never get here.* The last morning we got up at four and began to walk before daylight, but before we reached Lolo, I was too tired to walk and too tired to ride and hungry, and yet did not want to stop to rest or eat because I was so anxious to get home. Dinner was ready when we arrived, for Mr. Salveter came down from Elat two weeks ago and was keeping house. We arrived yesterday. I am feeling all right, but Dr. Lehman, who did not seem to mind the trip so much, is having fever.

The house is a sight, so dirty and out of order—a lot of boxes of provisions to be unpacked, bedding, curtains, etc., to be washed, floors scrubbed, contents of trunks examined. This is our cold weather and it *is* cold. I have on an extra jacket, and yet I feel the cold night air as it wiggles in through the cracks of our house.

NATIVE BRIDGE NEAR LOLODORF.

We killed a goat this morning, partly because we want to have the fresh meat while Mr. Salveter is here to help us. We always share with some of the natives. We have lots of friends when we kill a goat or sheep.

Word came from Elat to-day about Mr. Fraser's having to spend two days in prison because he refused to pay a fine of 10 mks. imposed on him by the German Government. He was fined for continuing to write notes in English after "repeated warnings" to write in German. The "repeated warnings" was a lie, and Mr. Fraser does not write German and the German officials can read English, and Mr. Fraser said he wouldn't pay a pfennig on any such fine.

The Governor called Ngumba headmen, the other day, to a "council" and that afternoon he sent us down a basket of two dozen eggs. You may not see the connection, but it is quite the custom here for a headman when he goes to see the Governor to carry him a little present, usually eggs, good, bad or indifferent, so I fancy the Governor received more than he could use. It is the first "token" from the present incumbent, and to-day I made some little tea cakes and returned his basket with them in it. Doctor thinks we will invite him to supper some evening, but it is very awkward work talking, when he doesn't understand English nor we German, and we have no common interests.

Oct. 24.—Have you ever seen many large trees cut down? I never did before I came to Lolodorf. Trees about

* Returning from the coast.—EDITOR.

here grow very tall and straight and there is something grand about them, even when they have fallen. There was one large one near the house, which the boys said they could cut down in three afternoons with three axes, but this noon when it looked as though it might take a fourth day, Doctor promised a big tin of meat if they would get it done before night. Then a tremendous rain came, lasted an hour,—still they thought they could do it, so with shouting and singing and whacking, the old tree began to crack just as the six o'clock bell rang. It was especially exciting because it was bound to fall either on the chicken house or on the donkey and sheep house, unless it fell just between, which it did—"as slick as you please." The donkey nearly had a fit, that is, he cut several capers, which he can do to perfection and even an African cannot imitate him.

This tree is the "Lundi" and it's bark is poisonous. The people use it to decide whether a person is guilty or not. Only yesterday, some one came to say that a man was about to eat this poison. So Doctor went down to this man's town, found him dressed in a few leaves and seemingly very anxious to take this poison. The bark had been scraped, the powder mixed into a paste and made into balls. Doctor tried to show him that this is no test of guilt, and the man finally left without taking it.

I have invited my women friends here to eat to-morrow afternoon—those who are in school and those of the women's meeting—probably about twenty in all. I shall make up a quantity of soup, open two or three tins of meat, cook some dried fruit, and it will do their hearts more good than their stomachs. They are forbidden by the men, who are selfish about it, to eat certain meat, "they will die if they do."

November 12.—Mr. Dager has been helping Dr. Lehman get the station books up to date. Doctor is planning to close school and go for a ten-days' trip among the Ngumba. Mr. Dager and I will run the station.

As to the work, there seems to be an awakening. We believe the Spirit is working in the hearts of many and I suppose many are fighting within themselves. After the Tuesday meeting, nineteen more came to express their desire to walk in the New Way. A week ago a woman walked twenty-five miles that she might come and confess Christ. She was very much frightened at first and we thought she did not understand Bulu, but when she began to feel a little more at home she brightened up and seemed very happy. A boy who used to be in school, the only representative of his tribe, returned yesterday. He said that he had worked five days each week, but always spent Saturday in reading his Matthew, and, on Sunday, he and another boy went out to talk to the people. There probably never will be a movement here like what there is among the Bulu, but we believe these days are the beginning of better things for the Ngumba, and we thank the Lord for letting us be here.

We have had rather a big day of it and Mr. Dager and Doctor are finishing by showing stereopticon views to a crowd of carriers and such school-boys as are left. Many of them started to their towns as soon as they were paid for their three months' work. This morning we gave seventy of them a meal out in the yard. The minute they finished licking out the dishes, away they went down to the river for a bath. While Doctor was paying them off, I was fixing up his food-box for the road, as he is planning to get off in the morning. My! it will be lonesome about the place and quiet, for my girls have also gone to their towns. I don't dare say so out loud for I haven't any right to keep my husband from this important work of itinerating, and this is his best chance, while Mr. Dager is here and school is closed.

Anna M. Lehman.

State of Religion at Efulen, Bululand.

Sabbath audiences averaged over 500. There has been an awakening in villages about Eufulen, and confessing of sins. One day more than twenty people came saying they had not been able to sleep since the last Sabbath; they had many sins concealed in their hearts.

An organization of men and boys has more than 100 members who pledge themselves against drinking or carrying

rum, carrying loads on Sunday and other prevalent evils.

A school-boy died; he was about twelve years old and a member of the inquiry class. His father buried his Bulu Testament with him. We feared the boy's people might feel unkindly toward us, but, on the contrary, they gave us another boy in place of the one that died, and his father, though living twelve miles from Efulen, has since been coming to Sunday services.—*Station Report.*

May 19, 1902.—Talked to an inquiry class of 165 this afternoon. There are only 122 on the roll and, of them, only 97 were present. The rest were unenrolled attendants. Two weeks ago, it rained very hard and yet I counted 140 at the meeting. Not all these are in earnest, rather I should say, not all know their own hearts. I believe all want to be Christians, but many will find that it involves too much. There are about twenty in the advanced class, or the "Company of God's People," and that includes the eight church members.

Our elder has had to be suspended, and now we must suspend Nlate, one of the charter members. He broke the seventh commandment. He wrote me a note and told me, then came and had a talk with me. He was very sorry and very straightforward in the matter. Even before he came, he had sent word to the man whom he had wronged. It is impossible for people at home to realize what this people have to contend with. These facts only show that they are going to need more help and encouragement than we at first thought.

We have enlarged our meeting-house so that it will seat 450. The headman of the town said to me yesterday, "You do not see so many women carrying baskets on Sunday as you used to. Your wife is getting the women by the neck."

Almost daily persons are coming to talk about being Christians.

W. C. Johnston.

Facts About Our Africa Mission.

American missionaries, 32, of whom six or more should be on furlough all the time. Six went to Africa over thirty years ago.
African evangelists and teachers, 40.
Ten churches, 1,534 church members.
Twenty-five schools, 489 pupils.
Three medical missionaries, 8,322 patients.

Baraka Station reports for 1902:

Church membership (Mpongwe tongue), 116, of whom 21 were received during the year; catechumen class, 34. The African preacher has held a week-day service also, at Awondo. Offerings amounted to $97, and instead of contributing a part of this for foreign missions, as formerly, it was decided to turn it all to self-maintenance and thus relieve the mission treasury from the usual grant. The woman's society sent their offering as usual to missions, $18.50.

A Fang church was organized last summer covering the Gaboon field, and reports 56 members, scattered in various towns. Of these, 43 were received on confession of faith, three from Baraka church and ten from the now disbanded Angom church. One man put away six wives in order to become a Christian; a chief gave up his father's skull. Mr. Milligan has two trunks full of fetishes which were given up by believers.

Mpongwe boarding-schools averaged attendance of 32. First Fang girl has been entered. Boys and girls paid their way in part by manual labor and parents supplemented by $14.30 in cash and $18 in plantains. Government grant amounted to $140.

Fang school comprised 42 boys, from fifteen towns, lying between the coast and 120 miles inland.

Benito Station reports:

Oversight of workers for fifty miles to the south and forty miles north. Five churches received 51 members on confession of faith. A new plank church building was dedicated at Corisco. At Benito they have an audience of 200 on Sunday morning and 90 in the evening. Sixteen Christian teachers in Sunday-school.

Every week when dispensary was open brought 30–40 patients to Mrs. Reutlinger.

Seven schools, under station supervision, had total enrollment of one hundred. The best showing was at Benito, where Mr. Hickman had an average attendance of 53 boys, during six months. The girls' school, in charge of the ladies, reached its highest figure at 37.

AFRICA.

RETURN FROM FURLOUGH.

MRS. KNAUER wrote from BATANGA, Nov. 29, 1902:

From New York to Liverpool, every one was so kind and thoughtful. The chief steward on the "Umbria" has two pairs of twins, now grown-up young men, so he could not do enough for ours. He ordered chicken soup every day and kept them supplied with sweet cakes.

Sept. 4th, we sailed on the "Sobo" from Liverpool for our home. Then our troubles began. Everybody looked at us as if we had just escaped jail or a lunatic asylum. "Taking those bonny babies to Africa? Well I pity them," etc. There is great prejudice among a class of people here against bringing babies to Africa. At Old Calabar a missionary once had to take his wife and baby home because the traders and officials rose up in arms and declared the baby could not stay. Reaching Old Calabar Sept. 26th, we left there three drunken rowdies who had used our go-cart to ride in and almost ruined it. One of them came to apologize and offered to pay damages, but left the ship without even paying the carpenter for the work he had done to make it usable. It might have been more pleasant on board but for two native Liberian women who were going to Kameruns to live with white traders. One would think they owned the ship. Their actions with the captain and traders were too awful to write about. We were disgusted and heartsick.

A DELIGHTFUL BREAK

in the journey was the afternoon spent ashore at the Scotch Industrial School at Old Calabar. It seemed so good to get once more into a congenial atmosphere. We learned considerable about the blessing of industrial work, which made us long more than ever to start our own. We believe it must go hand in hand with religious and medical work in Africa.

At every port, the natives marveled to see two white babies. Some even did obeisance to their father. We heard of many superstitions about twins, the most common being that either the twins or one of the parents must die. They used to think if they did not die pretty soon, one of them must be killed.

We arrived at home Oct. 10, and were most heartily welcomed. Mr. Knauer began school soon after; had 60 boys, all very much interested.

JAPAN.

MRS. GEO. PIERSON wrote from ASAHIGAWA, December 9, 1902:

Another of your kind letters has reached me recently. I am ashamed to think how many have gone unanswered and still you keep on sending the cheery messages. Your goodness and faithfulness put me to the blush. . . . We enjoy so much having Mr. and Mrs. Johnson with us, our new Hokkaido missionaries. I hear Mr. Johnson's typewriter going industriously now. He and Mr. Pierson took a hard

WALKING TRIP OF ONE HUNDRED MILES

across the southern part of our island, last month, and now Mr. Pierson has left me again for a ten-days' walking trip into one of the Northern provinces. I comfort myself by thinking that he has a Japanese evangelist with him, and that now the snows have come the roads are hard and good. On their last trip they walked at least fifty miles almost up to their knees in mud! You cannot imagine what the roads are in this rough frontier country. On this trip Mr. Pierson is to visit a body of believers whom the Church Missionary Society have asked him to take charge of, as they have no shepherd available. Is not that

PRACTICAL COMITY?

Our church is holding its own and a little more, though we have lost about twenty members by removal during the year. The migratory habits of Japanese are a great check on

our prosperity. Our number stands at fifty. The building is proving too small, especially for large union meetings, of which we are very fond in the Hokkaido. No doubt we shall have many additions in the near future to our membership, for a distinguished Christian politician and newspaper editor, the celebrated Mr. Sakamoto of Kochi, has suddenly decided to give himself up entirely to Christian work and has become an evangelist under our mission. He is working with us in this town, and church attendance has already begun to feel the force and point of his sermons. His wife and I have been calling on our fifty Christians and some thirty or forty inquirers, at the rate of fifteen calls a day, and now we mean to attack the Barracks and the wives of officers, among whom a few are Christians.

To-day I took the new young Bible woman to one of our out-stations, two hours by rail from here, to hold a woman's meeting at the house of a Christian farmer. He is

A REGULAR CORNELIUS

and always invites his friends and neighbors in to hear the Word, so we had as usual a motley assemblage of some forty or fifty men, women and children, boys and babies, to whom we taught the Bible, Christmas hymns, or knitting When we came away, the Bible woman said rather naively and dryly: "So that is what you call a woman's meeting!"

HOW THEY HONORED THANKSGIVING DAY.

MISS HAWORTH wrote from KYOTO, Dec. 6, 1902:

When I came back from America I brought many flags, and portraits of some of our Presidents. These I get out on the last Thursday of every November and drape them in stars and stripes and invite some Japanese in to share my patriotism. It is not a fact that the truest patriotism exists in Japan.

This year I proposed to Miss Denton* that we share our feast with the Japanese women teachers in her school, mine, and two Presbyterian young men who are in Congregational employ and their wives. It was a beautiful evening. I gave the greeting and spoke of the many nationalities in America now enjoying the blessings which this day commemorates. Miss Denton read the proclamation sent out by our U. S. Minister, as representing the President. We sang "America" and the Japanese national air, one of the young men offered prayer and, standing at the table directly after, the other asked the blessing. The music-box, which we had borrowed for the occasion from Mrs. Curtis, was set going and other features of the banquet proceeded while I carved the turkey. That we shared this noble bird with them impressed the teachers who knew we had it for our Day. There were speeches, poems and songs at table, and afterwards a few simple games were much appreciated, and the hours rolled away speedily.

You must know that I had deep personal reason for thanksgiving. I must still ride* to my work. I cannot walk rapidly or with ease yet, but have practiced steadily until I can do a mile now, with no fatigue.

PERSIA MISSION.

MRS. E. W. MCDOWELL, who was well known to us through her letters of past years from Urumia and Mosul, now writes from VAN, TURKEY, November 15, 1902:

We reached Van four weeks ago. We should have been here sooner but, on reaching Tiflis, found letters from the Mission saying we were to come by way of Urumia to attend Annual Meeting. We were there ten days and had a delightful time. The meetings were so helpful, giving us a general knowledge of the whole work, which we needed after an absence of eight years. The spiritual tone of the meetings was very good. We had no reason to regret our longer journey after enjoying such a feast. And how like Paradise these missionary homes were after two weeks of sleeping on a hard floor, with not much to eat but coarse native bread with grapes and tea. We were nine days from Urumia here, spending Sunday in Salmas. We lost one day waiting for our escort of soldiers, for the road is considered dangerous from robber Kurds.

After getting into Turkey we found poorer accommodations for the night. In one village our room was more than half underground, reached by a dark passageway from which opened the stable. In another place, cows and buffaloes were taken through our room to their stable. One morning on rising early to start, we found the snow falling so fast we could not see any distance. We were obliged to lose a day here on account of the storm. I cannot tell how many mountain passes we crossed on this journey. We were very glad when we reached the top of the last range, and beheld beautiful blue Lake Van and the city by its side, situated in green gardens. The mountains all about us are now covered with snow.

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*With whom she makes her home. Miss Denton has charge of the American Board school for girls at Kyoto.—ED.

*Result of being thrown from a jinrikisha last year.—ED.

The children and I are settled for the winter with Dr. Usher's family. We failed to get a house where I could live alone, and perhaps it was providential, for we have nothing left to keep house with. Our china is nearly all broken and our furniture torn to pieces. A careless agent at Trebizond, after the customs officers were through, tumbled things back into the boxes without packing material. He put china with hardware and kitchen utensils with pictures. Our new encyclopedia was stolen by Kurds. I am human enough to feel quite heartsick over the losses, as many things had been given me by friends.

We have much to be thankful for in reaching this place in safety and finding such kind friends in the Congregational missionaries. In their compound they have over 400 orphan boys and girls. I am busy learning the Turkish language, as there is very little use here for Syriac.

A week ago Mr. McDowell started

FOR THE KURDISTAN MOUNTAINS,

where he will spend the winter, working in Nestorian villages and learning Kurdish. I hope the time will soon come when the government will allow us to have our residence among the mountain people. You see I am in a position where I have no assigned work, and cannot help these overworked friends here until I have another language. This is a trial, but, as Mr. Speer said, there is no better way at present.

LAOS.

[The matter referred to in this letter was long ago settled, but we like to know what our friends have passed through.]

MRS. HUGH TAYLOR wrote from LAKAWN, Nov. 8, 1902:

You may have heard, and you may not, of our recent disturbances. Peaceful little Laos is not at peace just now with the Shans, but, it is no more than fair that she should have a share in the world's happenings now and then.

The first attack on Lakawn was repulsed, but the Shans made such ominous threats that a big fight was expected, so we women and children were hurried off to Chieng Mai, not, however, until we had seen several groups of headless bodies floated down stream. Well, the "fight" did not come off. We all returned to our homes, and the city was barricaded. Reports come that Shans are gathering in large numbers in the north. Hundreds of Siamese soldiers are in each city of this region, so what will be the outcome remains to be seen. The Shans say they have no ill will toward the Laos people, but they have grievances against the Siamese and they intend to drive them back to Siam. The Laos do not want to fight but some sympathize with the Shans, some with the Siamese. We do not feel that our lives are endangered, but a heathen, frenzied mob is always to be feared. I think I am a bit nervous because of the terrible things that took place in China last year, and then we have the children with us. Everybody else is brave. But any master cares for his servants, how much more our Heavenly Master cares for us, and we want to be faithful to our trust.

SYRIA.

A WEDDING AND A DEATH.

MISS CHARLOTTE BROWN wrote from SIDON last November:

One of our graduates of 1902 was married to a fine young Syrian. He was home on a visit and wished to take a bride back to England. She was one of the finest girls whom I know. We had expected her to teach for us, but instead, and with our approval, she was engaged to him in a formal betrothal, and later they were married by one of our missionaries in the village of the bridegroom. Some of our ladies joined the crowd that went over to bring the bride from her village, a very gay crowd, with men and boys dashing back and forth on their horses, shouting and challenging each other, and racing wildly. After a feast at the house, the bride was brought back in triumph, riding a big mare led by two men. How the poor girl suffered with heat, that day, in her fine clothes, for it was hot sirocco weather. As we passed through the street the length of the village to our church, crowds awaited us, and many threw candies or rice, or sprinkled us with orange-flower water. A few weeks later they left for their new home in England. This month came the sad news of the death of the bride's mother in her mountain home, leaving a baby girl. She was one of the sweetest, dearest women I have known in Syria, and many have mourned her loss. Another daughter is with us, and she has been so brave and sweet as to win our admiration. Her father wrote to us, and to his son in the Institute, two of the most

BEAUTIFUL CHRISTIAN LETTERS

I ever saw, announcing her death. They were models in every respect. Mrs. Ford said she would like to have them translated, to show to those who cannot read Arabic.

HOME DEPARTMENT

United Study of Missions.

LUX CHRISTI, Chapter I.

THE DIM CENTURIES.

1. Scripture Selection: The Christian's Heaven.—*Rev. xxi: 1–11 and 22–27.*
2. Reading: The Buddhist's Heaven. *Lux Christi, page 35.*
3. Current Missionary Events.
4. Talk on the Geography of India.
5. Brief Sketch of the Characteristics of the Aryans.
6. Brief Sketch of the Characteristics of the Native Tribes.
7. Short Paper or Talk on the Effect of Climate on Temperament.
8. Paper on the Natural Tendency of Nature Worship to Develop into Pantheism.
9. An Account of the Origin and Growth of the Vedas.
10. An Account of the Beginning of Brahmanism.
11. An Account of the Code of Manu.
12. A Comparison of Buddhism and Brahmanism.
13. An Account of the Worship of Vishnu and Kali.

Chapter II.

INDIA'S INVADERS.

1. Scripture Lesson: The Work of Christ.—*Luke i: 68–79.*
2. Reading: The Moslem's Rejection. *Lux Christi, page 80.*
3. Current Missionary Events.
4. Paper: The Origin and Character of Mohammedanism.
5. Paper: The Mohammedan Invasion of India and its Results.
6. Paper: Comparison of Hinduism, Buddhism and Mohammedanism.
7. Quiz: Taking in the Rule of the Moguls, or Mughals, the Beginnings of European Power in India, and the East India Company and its Policy. A class could be formed of ladies previously notified of the lesson, but without assignation of questions.
8. Paper: The Mutiny and its Results.
9. Reading: Description of Madras by G. W. Stevens. *Lux Christi, pages 75, 76.*
10. Reading: Julian Hawthorne's Opinion of Mission Work.
11. Reading: Mohammedan Inscription. *Lux Christi, page 82.*

A blackboard with dates and events will help to fix this lesson in the mind.

"WHAT IS JESUS TO ME?"

That was once asked in the Korean land,
Touching a heart that could well understand;
This the best answer her love could contrive,
"I was just dead and He made me alive!"

You who have known of Him many a year,
Compassed by blessings, yet hampered by fear,
Echo this saying and let hope revive;
"I was just dead and He made me alive!"

Tell the good news as the Koreans do.
After the sermon they preach the town through,
Scattering seed that the harvest may thrive;
"I was just dead and He made me alive!"

Anna Stevens Reed.

SECRETARIES OF LITERATURE AT WORK.

The treasurer of WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN has been receiving the evidence of much activity, during the past four months, on the part of a very important officer in the auxiliary, the Secretary of Literature. The handsome lists of renewals and new subscribers which have flowed in from all sections of the constituency of the Women's Boards and Societies have not been outdone in any former year. Some samples are presented below. In each case the number of subscribers is supposed to represent a single church. The largest list is placed first. Who will take the palm from Plainfield, N. J.? It will be observed that smaller towns often send longer lists, in proportion, than large places:

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Schenectady, N. Y...	35	Mrs. Lane.
Milton, Pa.....	32	Mrs. Ramp.
Los Angeles, Cal.....	23	Mrs. Field.
Pittsburg, Pa.....	59	Miss Johnston.
Lambertville, N. J...	33	Mrs. Romine.
Harrisburg, Pa.....	37	Miss Mowry.
Utica, N. Y	62	Mrs. Curran
Washington, Pa.....	39	Mrs. Riggs.
Greensburg, Ind.....	23	Mrs. Evans.
Ann Arbor, Mich....	28	Miss Watts.
Glens Falls, N. Y.....	49	Mrs. Martindale.
Parkville, Mo.....	25	Mrs. Roberts.
Tyrone, Pa.....	36	Mrs. Obdyke

OUR BOOK SHELF.

Opportunities in the Path of the Great Physician. By Valeria Fullerton Penrose. (The Westminster Press, Phila.) Pp. 277. $1.00 net.

The horizon of this book is chiefly missions of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., so that numerous names of places and physicians mentioned will be familiar to our societies. With much painstaking a long array of facts have been gathered, regarding native treatment of disease and the value of hospitals and medical men in Asia and Africa. Illustrations and maps add to the usefulness of the volume.

Yeshudás, a Monograph. By Annie H. Small. (MacNiven & Wallace, 138 Princes St., Edinburgh, Scotland.) Pp. 121, manila cover. 10d. a copy or thirteen copies to the dozen, plus postage.

Miss Small has wished to draw attention to the movement of Indian people Christward independent of missionary influence, and her booklet leaves a distinct and forcible impression. It is not claimed that the spiritual experience portrayed is that of a single person, nor that all the scenes are fact.

SINCE LAST MONTH.

DEPARTURES:

Feb. 13.—From San Francisco, Miss Harriet Noyes, returning to Canton, China.

MARRIAGES:

Jan. 14.—At Beirût, Syria, Mary Bliss, daughter of Mrs. Gerald F. Dale, Jr., and granddaughter of Rev. Daniel Bliss, D.D., to Harry Gaylord Dorman, M.D. Dr. Dorman is appointed member of the medical faculty, Syrian Protestant College.

Feb. 4.—At Shanghai, China, Miss Jeannette Griswold, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Geo. F. Fitch, to Rev. Asher Raymond Kepler of Ningpo.

DEATHS:

Dec. 15, 1902.—At Etawah, India, Miss Christine Belz, for thirty years a member of Lodiana Mission. See p. 68.

Jan. 13.—At Kobe, Japan, Mrs. W. V. Johnson, on her way to join the Korea Mission. Death resulted from abscess in the head, contracted on the voyage.

RESIGNATION:

Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Haymaker, Guatemala. Appointed 1884.

TO THE AUXILIARIES.

[FOR ADDRESS OF EACH HEADQUARTERS AND LIST OF OFFICERS SEE THIRD PAGE OF COVER.]

From Philadelphia.

Send all letters to 501 Witherspoon Building. Directors' meeting first Tuesday of the month at 10:30 o'clock. Prayer-meeting third Tuesday, at eleven o'clock. Cordial invitation extended to each meeting.

March. Prayer Union.—*Our Presbyterial Societies.*

TREASURER'S books at headquarters close April 20. The omission of an Annual Assembly this year will make no difference whatever in the need there is of having all money sent in promptly. Auxiliary, S. C. E. and Band Treasurers should watch carefully the date of closing of their Presbyterial Treasurer's books, in order that she may have ample time to prepare her final report and send to headquarters before the date given above.

MISS CHRISTINE BELZ, our missionary for so many years, died at Etawah, India, December 15, 1902. Miss Belz was a German who since 1872 has worked most faithfully in our mission. With her frugal and simple habits she lived among the native people a self-sacrificing life, in the last years even declining to take any salary. She preached daily to men and women, wherever she found them, helping them in every possible way, and her death will be deeply mourned at Etawah.

Her annual report (usually the first to arrive from India) came only a short time before the tidings of her death. Let her epitaph be, "Faithful unto death."

FOR the information of those who wish to hire costumes we are glad to refer to *Miss M. L. Tracy, 440 West Eighth St., Plainfield, N. J.*

LEAFLETS on Africa, an interesting programme: *Darkness and Light in Africa,* 5 cts.; *Schools and Colleges in Africa,* 3 cts.; *Hospitals in Africa,* 2 cts.; *Home Life in Africa,* 2 cts.; *Historical Sketch* (recently revised), 10 cts.; *Illustrated Programme,* 5 cts. per doz., *Question Book* (recently revised), 5 cts.

Story of Satabai, 2 cts., is new. *Lux Christi* is so popular that there must be many study classes of which we have not heard. If suggestions for forming classes are needed, our *Study Class Methods,* 2 cts., will be timely, also the following helps: *Earliest Missions in All Lands,* 10 cts.; *Lux Christi,* 30 cts. paper, 50 cts. cloth; map of India for use with *Lux Christi* (postage, 3 cts. additional), 25 cts.; pictures illustrating *Lux Christi,* 20 cts. per set; programme for *Lux Christi,* 2 cts.; *Philanthropy in Missions,* 25 cts.; *Via Christi,* 30 cts. paper, 50 cts. cloth.

Year Book, 10 cts., is selling more rapidly than ever before.

Under the Cherry Blossoms, 25 cts., may be ordered from Mrs. J. A. Travis, 1008 East Capital St., Washington, D. C. This is a very dainty booklet, telling in story all about our schools for Japanese girls, especially of the Joshi Gakuin at Tokyo, in aid of which it is published.

From Chicago.

Meetings at Room 48, Le Moyne Block, 40 E. Randolph Street, every Friday at 10 A.M. Visitors welcome.

THE Thirty-second Annual Meeting of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest, will be held in the 41st Street Church, corner Grand Boulevard and 41st Street, Chicago, April 22 and 23. The opening session will be at 7:45 the evening of the 21st. Appoint your delegates and send their names promptly to Mrs. O. J. Shannon, 4406

Grand Boulevard, Chicago. If you cannot immediately settle upon the one to attend, let Mrs. Shannon know that you are to have a delegate, so that she may reserve a place.

We have been more than usually impressed with our Father's care, as experienced by our Miss Sherman, who sailed for Japan, Dec. 16. By some accident her steamer trunk was left behind, "although it left the hotel with the rest of the baggage," the S.S. agent wrote us. At this season of the year the lack of warm wraps and comforts increased the dangers of the voyage. A letter from her says that it was warm and comfortable with no severe winds. Some of the ship's officers said they had never had so comfortable a trip and they "guessed it was all on account of that missionary girl, whose trunk was left behind."

The wife of Dr. McWilliams, of the American Church, Montreal, lately called to a pastorate in Cleveland, founded a missionary society noted throughout Canada, one whose monthly sessions attract even those of other denominations. An Episcopal attendant described to Mrs. P. D. Browne what was known as "The Telephone Meeting." The president called up Korea, Syria, Siam, China, etc., and as each country was called, a child quickly responded, giving the very latest missionary news, with telephonic speed. It was an actual telephone, for no pains is spared in that society.

The editor of Woman's Work has said a number of times that the Year Book and leaflets were *not* kept at the office of the magazine, and yet our auxiliary secretaries when sending their subscriptions include orders for these. Names and items must all be copied and sent back to us, making much additional work and expense. Please, ladies, send to *your own headquarters* for literature.

We do not advertise the United Study books and helps each month, supposing one would know that the Board to which she belongs would have them. None of us wishes to use space for seemingly needless repetitions. A second request: please be careful how you put stamps in the letters, do not paste them on the letter or together, but lay them flat and smooth. If they are doubled, the mucilage makes them break and they arrive in pieces.

For "Africa" the revised *Historical Sketch*, 10 cts.; *Hospitals*, 2 cts.; *Schools and Colleges*, 3 cts.; the exercise, *Darkness and Light*, 5 cts.; *Annals*, *Moffat* and *Livingstone*, each 18 cts. paper, 30 cts. cloth. Address W. P. B. M., Room 48, Le Moyne Block, 40 East Randolph Street, Chicago, Ill.

From New York.

Prayer-meeting at 156 Fifth Ave., cor. 20th St., the first Wednesday of each month, at 10.30 A. M. Each other Wednesday there is a half-hour meeting for prayer and reading of missionary letters, commencing at same hour.

The Thirty-third Annual Meeting of the Women's Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, April 8 and 9, in Utica, N. Y. Delegates and missionaries attending this meeting will meet with a cordial hospitality from the Utica Presbyterial Society, and applications for such entertainment may be sent to Mrs. C. C. Shaver, 6 Rutger St., Utica, N. Y., Chairman of the Hospitality Committee, not later than April 1. Board will also be secured for others desiring it, at hotels or boarding-houses. To secure a reduction in the railroad rates, a guarantee must be given that one hundred will take advantage of such reduction. Difficulty has been experienced in previous years in securing this number, and this year it will not be attempted. Regular excursion and mileage tickets on many roads offer greater advantages. It is earnestly hoped that no one will stay away from the meeting on account of this decision.

Miss M. C. Janeway, 166 W. 55th St., N. Y., is Chairman of the Credential Committee.

This Board feels it has met with a great loss in the removal of one of its Home Secretaries, Mrs. Fred Perry Powers, to Philadelphia. More than ten years of faithful service has made her well known in all our territory, and her wise counsel in the business meetings will be sorely missed. We welcome in her place Mrs. William Tompkins, and hope those who have been in such close touch with Mrs. Powers will find a friend in her successor. Other changes in our workers have given us a new Young People's Secretary, Miss C. T. Davison. Miss Hamilton, who has filled that place so well, is now Secretary for Special Objects. The Annual Meeting will be a good time to get better acquainted with these new workers.

This year, in order to secure data in regard to circulation of the magazines, etc., before the Annual Meeting, special blanks have been sent to each Presbyterial Secretary of Literature, for her to send to each local Secretary of Literature, to be filled and *returned to her by March 1.* She will from these fill out her own blanks, which are to be returned by her to Miss Parsons, Secretary of Literature of the Women's Board, 156 Fifth Ave., by March 7.

Last year the Presbyterial Society of Genesee secured a complete report, answering most satisfactorily each question asked on the blanks sent them from headquarters.

But one month remains of our fiscal year, and we hope that the influence of our president's letter will appear in enlarged gifts to meet the ever-widening opportunities.

The *Presbyterial Treasurers* are reminded that their final remittances should reach New York *not later than March 29*, and will please send timely notification to any societies that may be inclined to be dilatory.

From Northern New York.

This month blanks will be sent out by the secretaries to all auxiliaries, the secretaries of which are requested to fill out each column and return the same promptly. This will not only insure an accurate report but will facilitate the work of the General Secretary.

We would again call the attention of the treasurers to the closing of the books of the General Treasurer on April 1. All moneys not yet sent in should be forwarded prior to this date, with an explicit statement of the object for which they are appropriated. Treas-

urers are also urged to see that the full amount for which their auxiliaries are pledged is made up. The watchword all along the line is, Forward. Let us see to it that our societies are keeping step with the advance.

FULL particulars in regard to the coming Annual Meeting, April 15 and 16, will be given next month. At this writing the committee are busy preparing for the same. They need our co-operation in prayer for divine guidance and for the outpouring of the Spirit upon our meetings. We need to remember that God's promise of blessing is conditioned upon our bringing "all the tithes into the storehouse."

SINCE the last issue of this magazine, letters have been received from Mrs. Seymour of Tungchow and the Rev. W. H. Lingle of Siangtan, China. Copies of these interesting letters were promptly forwarded to the societies specially interested. Mrs. Seymour was in Chefoo with her little daughters, who are there at school, remaining with them until the strangeness of their surroundings had worn off.

WE rejoice with our C. E. Societies of Troy and Champlain presbyteries at the good news Mr. Lingle reports to them in regard to work in Siangtan.

FROM a private letter we learn that death has again been thinning our ranks, this time one of our little ones, of whom the Master said, "Of such is the kingdom of heaven." On November 13, after a brief illness, from croup, May Silsby was taken Home. Her little life of only five years and a half had been a sunny one, and she had greatly endeared herself to the Chinese. Mrs. Silsby writes that "the loving sympathy of the Chinese has been a revelation." We are sure that here, in the homeland, this sorrowing household will be affectionately remembered in prayer.

From St. Louis.

Meetings the first and third Tuesdays of each month at Room 21, 1516 Locust St., St. Louis, Mo. Missionary literature for sale at the above number. Visitors always cordially welcome.

THE Twenty-sixth Annual Meeting of the Board of the Southwest will convene at Guthrie, O. T. Regular sessions will be held Thursday and Friday, April 23 and 24, in the First Presbyterian Church, corner of Noble Ave. and Division St., Rev. W. C. Miles, pastor. Delegates will please send their names to the chairman of the Entertainment Committee, Mrs. M. I. Armantrout, 118 East Oklahoma Ave., Guthrie, O. T. Further particulars will be announced in good season.

OUR recently appointed missionary, Miss Kate Anna Gibbons of Kirksville, Mo., sailed January 10 for Japan. Her station will be decided upon after her arrival.

A TOUR is being planned for a missionary speaker at some of the Presbyterial meetings. We are pleased to be able to announce that Mrs. Geo. Hays, formerly of China, now of Indian Territory, has consented to undertake the work.

ST. LOUIS seems destined to be the banner Presbytery for new societies. Too much praise cannot be given the President, Mrs. Robert Ranken, and the S. C. E. Secretary, Miss Kate Walter. This Presbytery has never shown its possibilities for steady, earnest work till this year. Now, with these able, enthusiastic officers, we are hoping for even greater things than those we have already seen.

THE Special Object Secretary, Mrs. John A. Allen, calls attention to the fact that Indian and Oklahoma Territories have assumed the entire support of Dr. Victoria McArthur, and that Texas and New Mexico are asked to make Miss Mary E. Barrett of Seoul, Korea, their special object in place of Dr. McArthur.

PRESBYTERIAL Secretaries are asked to send in the dates of Presbyterial meetings in the spring *as early as possible* to the "Quarterly," that they may be published in the April issue.

WILL local auxiliaries make a final effort to send their collections as early as possible to the Presbyterial Treasurer, and will Presbyterial Treasurers make their remittances as early as possible to the Board Treasurer?

A NEW set of blanks has been sent out to the societies; please make your returns as accurate and as early as possible.

AN interesting missionary revival during the week of prayer is reported in the First Church, Guthrie, O. T. The church assumed the support of a foreign missionary. This is in addition to the women's and young people's work.

FROM the *Park College Record* we learn that Dr. and Mrs. Browning of the *Instituto Ingles*, Santiago, Chile, have returned to this country. Dr. Browning remained at his post a year longer than required, and his physician now ordered him home. Mrs. Browning is addressed at Kansas City, Mo.

From San Francisco.

Public meeting at 920 Sacramento Street the first Monday in each month at 10.30 A.M. and 1.15 P.M. All are invited. Executive Committee, third Monday.

THE Annual Meeting of the Occidental Board will be held on Thursday, April 2, at the Mission House, 920 Sacramento Street. On account of the General Assembly at Los Angeles, the Occidental Board will hold only one day's session in April.

The General Assembly convenes on May 21, and is in session ten days, so that by June 1 our friends will be coming north to San Francisco. The Occidental Board proposes to hold three days of meetings and receptions, probably during the first week in June, when we will have addresses from officers and members of the General Assembly, Board of Foreign Missions, the Woman's Boards and missionaries. Our state is so large, and traveling so expensive, that we intend to bring to San Francisco for the benefit of our Northern Presbyterians just as much as we can of the General Assembly.

REV. AND MRS. C. H. BANDY, missionaries in Fatehgarh, India, at home on furlough, are doing excellent work among our churches. Mr. Bandy has visited most of the churches in Benicia Presbytery with great acceptance. One elder, after hearing him, said: "The best missionary address I ever heard."

THERE is great activity along all presbyterial lines. Blanks have been sent out by the State Secretary, letters have been written, annual meetings are being arranged, and great hopes are expressed by the Board that, when all the returns are in, it may report its *best year.*

PRESBYTERIAL Treasurers will please bear in mind that their books must close March 21, and on no account be opened again for further remittances.

THE Occidental Board, finding that young people cannot attend our monthly meetings, have established quarterly Y. P. meetings which are held on Saturday from eleven to three o'clock. In the morning we have reports, in the afternoon we have two or three bright addresses and exercises by Chinese girls and children. These meetings have proved very interesting and helpful.

DURING the Week of Prayer a special meeting was held at 920 Sacramento Street under the auspices of the Occidental Board. A pleasant feature was an interesting talk by Mrs. Bandy about native Christians of India and their difficulties in leading Christian lives.

MONDAY evening, Jan. 19, a reception was given to Madam Wu, the wife of the former Minister of China to the United States. Madam Wu was accompanied by two nephews, both of whom speak English. The reception was given at the Presbyterian Mission House. Christian Chinese women were invited. There were about 150 people present.

LITERATURE for March : *Africa, Historical Sketch,* 10 cts. ; *Questions and Answers,* 5 cts. ; *Schools and Colleges,* 3 cts. each, 30 cts. per doz. ; *Medical Series,* 2 cts. each, 20 cts. per doz. ; *Sketch, Miss Isabella Nassau,* 2 cts. each.

From Portland, Oregon.

Meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the First Presbyterian Church. Visitors welcome.

THE Fifteenth Annual Assembly of the Woman's North Pacific Board of Missions will be held in Westminster Church, Seattle, Wednesday and Thursday, April 15, 16.

All Vice-Presidents are urgently invited to be present. Each Presbyterial society should appoint *one* delegate, each local society *two*; each C. E., Junior C. E., Band and Sunday-school committee one delegate

Cordial hospitality is extended by the ladies of Seattle churches to all delegates, and their names should be sent, by April 1, to *Mrs. John P. Hartman, 1134 17th Ave., Seattle. Wash.*

We hope delegates will be present at first session and remain throughout, so as to make a complete report of the meeting to their societies. Three missionaries are expected.

Arrangements have been made with the railroad lines to make a rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip. Delegates and visitors attending the meeting will purchase tickets on *going trip* at full fare and *ask the agent for a receipt.* These receipts must show full fare paid of not less than 50 cts., and that ticket was purchased not more than three days prior to the opening date of the meeting. These receipts must be countersigned by the Secretary of the meeting, and, if there are 50 or more in attendance *via all lines,* tickets will be sold returning at one-third fare, no tickets to be sold for return trip for less than 25 cts., and receipts must be presented for return trip tickets not more than two days after close of meeting. If every delegate and visitor will come by *train* and will follow these directions all will receive the benefit.

IT has been decided that instead of "Report blanks" we will again use questions. Formerly answers were sent to the Board Secretary, but this year, auxiliary secretaries will receive the questions from their *Presbyterial Secretary* and return the answers to her; then she will incorporate them in the Presbyterial report to the Board.

Remember that March 20 is the very latest date that money for this fiscal year can be received by Presbyterial Treasurers. Be sure your appropriation is met and money forwarded before that date. Let all send to Mrs. Protzman for the new (free) leaflet by Robert E. Speer, *A Frank Talk about Special Objects.* Just a short quotation: 1. Missionaries are legitimate special objects. 2. Buildings are legitimate special objects. 3. All the work can be taken as special objects—only instead of *native workers,* the missionaries and the Board earnestly hope that you will adopt the plan herewith set before you, and that you will take a *share* in just that class of work which you prefer in almost any of the 121 stations of the Board.

DR. MAUD ALLEN expects to sail for her beloved India, Feb. 21. While her health is much improved, we wish her furlough might have been a few months longer. During her stay in this country she has better fitted herself for medical and spiritual work, and has been an inspiration, wherever she went, to better service and more zeal for India.

Receipts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church from Jan. 1, 1903

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.] *Thank Offering.

ATHENS.—Gallipolis, S.C.E., 5; Pomeroy, 5, $10.00
BLAIRSVILLE.—Vandegrift, S.C.E., 33.50
BUTLER.—Allegheny, 2, S.C.E., 5; Butler, 1st, Y.W. Aux., 29.50; 2d, 10.92, S.C.E., 5.81; Centerville, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Clintonville, S.C.E., 20; Concord, 7; Grove City (*50) 79.65, L.L.B., 7.25; Martinsburg, S.C.E., 15; Middlesex, 6.25, S.C.E., 10; North Butler, 9; North Washington, *25, Band, 9; Petrolia, 3.50; Plain Grove, 14.50, A Member, *27, Plains, 2.50; Portersville, 7.60; Scrubgrass, S.C.E., 10; West Sunbury (*15.30) 30.90, 342.38
CAPE FEAR.—Shiloh, 1.00
CARLISLE.—Harrisburg, Market Sq., 163.04, Sr. Dept S.S., 39.79, Macedonian Bd., 158.07, Miss Weiss' Class, 30, S.C.E., 50, Miss George's Class, 27; Pine St., S.C.E., 50; Westminster, 50; Lower Marsh Creek, 6; Middle Spring, 14.55, 538.95
CHESTER.—Avondale, 22, S.C.E., 7.75; Berwyn, 8, Mustard Seeds Bd., 2; Bryn Mawr, 50; Chester, 1st, 5; 3d, 18; Chichester Mem'l, 5; Coatesville, 25; Darbyborough, 10, S.C.E., 5; Downingtown, 4.38; E. Whiteland (Frazer), 6; Fagg's Manor, 35, S.C.E. No. 1, 6.50, S.C.E. No. 2, 6.50; Great Valley, 25; Honey Brook, 75, S.C.E., 10; Kennett Square, 3.25; Lansdowne, 50.28, S. E. Howard Aux., 5, Y.P. Soc., 5, Helper's Bd., 7.50; Media, 60; New London, 4; Oxford, 173; Ridley Park, Dew Drop's Bd., 7; Wayne, H. Newton Circle, 12, S.C.E., 6; West Chester, Westminster, 124.15, Y.L.C., 13, S.S., 67.21; Goshenville, S.S., 5; 3d District Meeting, 4.38, 897.90
CLEVELAND.—Ashtabula, Prospect, 3.34; Cleveland, 1st, 211.60; 2d, 357.59; Beckwith Mem'l, 23.50, S.C.E., 5; Bolton Ave., 20; Calvary, 188.20; Case Ave., 28.09, S.C.E., 14.50;

Willson Ave., 3; Glenville, S.C.E., 10; Northfield, 5; Seville, Guilford, 10; Streetsboro, S.C.E., 10, 890.42

COLUMBUS.—Circleville, 22.50; Columbus, 1st, 6; Broad St., S.C.E., 25, S.C.E. Jr., 5.23; Central, 53.97, Y.L.C., 20; Olivet, 9.67; W. Broad St., 5.30; Lancaster, 22.15; London, 7.25; Plain City, 9.30; Westerville, 6; Worthington, 6.10; Mrs. Gillespie's Meeting, Reynoldsburg, 2.62, 201.09

DAYTON.—Camden, 4.50; Clifton, 4; Dayton, 1st, 56; Mem'l, Y.L.S., 24; Park, 15; Fletcher 2.50; Franklin, 10; Greenville, 21.75; New Carlisle, 4; Seven Mile (Olive), 4; Springfield, 1st, 45; 3d, 14.50; Xenia, 7, 212.25

ELIZABETH.—Cranford, 14.37; Dunellen, 25, S.C.E., 3; Elizabeth, 2d, 125, Band, 6; 3d, S.C.E., 25; Bethany Chapel, S.C.E. Jr., 1.05; Westm'r, Hope Chapel, Infant Class, 5; Greystone, Cheerful Givers, 50; Lamington, 11.50, Band, 10, S.C.E., 5; Perth Amboy, 20; Plainfield, 1st, 75, S.C.E., 10; Crescent Ave., 280, Sunshine Bd., 70, S.C.E., 5, Hope Chapel, S.C.E., 5; Rahway, 1st, S.C.E. (Locust Grove), 2.50; 2d, S.C.E. Jr., 9; Roselle, 28.45, S.C.E., 10; Westfield, 25, Lilies of the Field, 30, 850.87

ERIE.—Atlantic, S.C.E., 15; Bradford, 19.40; Cambridge Springs, S.C.E., 11; Coolspring, 14.98; Edinboro, 2; Erie, Central, 130; Chestnut St., S.C.E., 3.75; Park, 50, S.C.E., 32.50; Fairfield, 9.70; Franklin, 50; Girard, 3.46; Meadville 1st, S.C.E., 5; Mercer 1st, 12.22; 2d, 16; Mt. Pleasant, 10.67; North East, 34.92; Oil City, 1st, 70.95, Y.L. Soc., 75; Sandy Lake, S.C.E., 5; Union City, 55.29; Warren, 145.50, Y.L. Soc., 218.25; Westm'r, 1.94, 977.53

JERSEY CITY.—Hoboken, S.C.E., 10.00

LACKAWANNA.—Athens, 12.50; Carbondale, 1st, 130.90; Forty Fort, S.C.E., 5; Hawley, S.C.E., 2.30; Honesdale, 70, Titus Bd., 10, S.C.E., 7.50; Kingston, 13.97; Langcliffe, 50; Montrose, 60; Plymouth, 13.10; Scranton, 2d, 350; Green Ridge, S.C.E., 10; Washburne St., 21.70; Stevensville, S.C.E., 6.50; Towanda, 35; Troy, 20; Ulster Village, 6.25; West Pittston, 76.45; Willing Workers, 29.50, Y.P. Soc., 10.50; Wilkes-Barre, 1st, 100, Whosoever Will Bd., 20; Wyoming, Sarah Henry Bd., 15, 1,076.17

LEHIGH.—Allentown, 55; Allen Township, 10; Bangor, 5.50; Bethlehem, 8; Catasauqua, 1st, 12, S.C.E., 6; Easton, 1st, 35; Brainerd Union, 27.05; College Hill, 10; Hazleton, 64.21, Wild Daisy Circle, 7, S.C.E., 4; Mauch Chunk, 18; Middle Smithfield, S.C.E., 3.45; Port Carbon, 1st, 8; Pottsville, 1st, 15; 2d, S.C.E. Jr., 4; Shawnee, 5.24; Slatington, 7.37, 304.82

MAHONING.—Canfield, S.C.E., 9.00

MORRIS AND ORANGE.—Boonton, S.C.E., 11; Dover, S.C.E., 25; East Orange, 1st, 137.50, Willing Workers, 50; Arlington Ave., 25; Bethel, 12.50, S.C.E., 15; Brick, 100; German Valley, 25; Hanover, 75, Y. L. Aux., 6; Madison, 25; Morris Plains, S.C.E., 5; Morristown, South St., 5; New Vernon, S.S. Cl., 9, 10; Orange, 1st, 125; Central, 100; St. Cloud, 6.51; South Orange, 1st, 25; Summit, 40, 823.51

NEW BRUNSWICK.—Bound Brook, 7, S.C.E., 5; Flemington, 20.94, Gleaners, 75; Hopewell, S.C.E., 3; Lawrenceville, Y.P. Soc., 10; Milford, S.C.E., 15; New Brunswick, 1st, 25; Pennington, 38.99, Anna Foster Bd., 5; Princeton, 1st, 72.83, Y.W. Soc., 82.90; 2d, 9; Titusville, 5; Trenton, 1st, 125, S.C.E., 25; 3d, 55, S.C.E., 12.50; 4th, 100, Y.L. Soc., 20; 5th, 15; Prospect St., 30; Walnut Ave., 8, 765.16

NEW CASTLE.—Dover, Del., 8.05; Forest (Middletown, Del.), 5.50; Glasgow, 4.50; Green Hill, Earnest Workers, 24.23; Lower Brandywine, 5; Makemie Mem'l, 10.24, Wm. Swan Bd., 5.50, L.L. Bd., 4, S.C.E., 3; Manokin, 13.60; Newark, 10; Pitts Creek (Pocomoke City), 20; Rock, Md, 6.50; West Nottingham, 9; Wilmington, Central, 13, S.C.E., 20, S.C.E. Jr., 8; Hanover St., 50; Olivet, 5, Milligan Bd., 1; Rodney St., 37.08; West, S.C.E., 5.25, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Zion, Md., 10.46, Happy Harversters, 2.50, 286.41

PHILADELPHIA.—First, 32.25, New Century Bd., 25; Third, May Blossoms and Buds of Promise, 45; Fourth, 25; Arch St., S.C.E., 17.17; Bethany, 50; Calvary, Little Helpers, 6, Mother's Bd., 18; Central, S.C.E., 25; Covenant, S.C.E., 10; Evangel, S.C.E., 80, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Gaston, 20; Harper Mem'l, 20; No. Broad St., S.C.E., 35, Wadsworth Bd., 50; Northern Liberties, S.C.E., 13.25; Olivet, 50, Jesus' Little Lambs, 20, True Lights, 3.25, S.C.E., 5; Patterson Mem'l, Y.L.S., 6.44; Princeton, 190, Day Dawn Bd., 40; Tabernacle, 30; Tabor, L.L.B., 18; Temple, 22; Trinity, 60; Woodland, 80.74, Fullerton Soc. 26, 1,038.10

PHILADELPHIA NORTH.—Abington, 17.50, Susan B. Smith Bd., 21; Ambler, 6.37; Ashbourne, 5, S.C.E., 3, S.C.E. Jr., 25 cts.; Bridgeport, S.C.E., 10; Bristol, 40; Carmel (Edge Hill), 2.50, S.C.E., 10.50; Chestnut Hill, Trinity, 35; Conshohocken, S.C.E., 2; Doylestown, 37.50, S.C.E., 25; Mechanicsville, Bd., 3.14; Frankford, Y.P. Union, 18, Y.L. Bd., 25.25; Germantown, 1st, 159.70, Eliot Bd., 10.62, Miriam Bd., 20, S.C.E., 19.71, In Mem. E. R. C., 100; Summerville, S.C.E., 7.50; 2d, 50; Redeemer, 6.75; Summit, 10; Wakefield, S.C.E., 20; Westside, 8.50; Hermon, 16, M. and D., 10, Y.L.Bd., 6.25, S.C.E., 7.25, S.C.E. Jr., 2.50; Holmesburg, 1st, 6.35; Huntingdon Valley, 21.65; Jenkintown, Grace, 6.95, S.C.E., Jr., 10; Langhorne, S.C.E., 5; Lawndale, Y.P. Soc., 2; Lower Providence, S.C.E., 1.56; Manayunk, 1st, 10, S.C.E., Jr., 2; Morrisville, 20, S.C.E. Jr., 1; Mt. Airy, 30, S.C.E., 11.50; Neshaminy of Warminster, 5, Ivyland, S.C.E., 2, Eliz. M. Philips, S.C.E. Jr., 50 cts.; Neshaminy of Warwick, 25, S.C.E., 5; New Hope, 2.50; Norristown, 1st, S.C.E., 15; Central, S.C.E., 3; Overbrook, 50; Pottstown, 71.16; Reading, 1st, 67, S.C.E., 25; Wissahickon, 7.50, S.C.E., 2; Wisinoming, S.C.E., 6; Wyncote, Calvary, 27.75; Offerings from Shanghai, 2.15; Interest, 1.80, 1,163.06

PITTSBURG AND ALLEG. COM.—Allegheny, 1st, 100; Brighton Road, 8.65; Central, 34.26, Macedonian Bd., 50; Manchester, 12; McClure Ave., 90.33, Burchard Bd., 3; North, 57.95; Aspinwall, S.C.E., 5; Bellevue, 10; Bethel, 16; Canonsburg, 1st, 30; Charleroi, 10; Clifton, 3; Crafton, 6, Charlotte Hawes Bd., 1; Edgewood, 40; Emsworth, 19.95, Little Branches, 3.50; Glenshaw, 11; Hebron, 7; McDonald, 50.15; Mansfield, 6.25; Monongahela, S.C.E., 5; Mt. Olivet, 13; Natrona, 12; Oakmont, 19; Pittsburgh, 1st, 100; 2d, Adelaide Howard Soc., 10; 3d, 150; 4th, 15; 6th, 50; Bellefield, 40; East End, 2.90; East Liberty, 110.41; Highland, 17.25; Homewood Ave., 10, S.C.E., 10; Lawrenceville, 8.50, S.C.E., 15; Park Ave., 21; Penna. Female College, 50; Shadyside, 300; Tabernacle, 14.70; Raccoon, 30; Sewickely, 25; Sharon, 8; Tarentum, 27.20; Valley View, 4.14; Van Port, 5; Wilkinsburg, 25, 1,673.14

PORTSMOUTH.—Eckmansville, 6; Felicity, 5; Ironton, 7.88; Jackson, 5.75; Mt. Leigh, 8; Portsmouth, 1st, 9.25; West Union, 2.25, 44.13

ST. CLAIRSVILLE.—Bannock, 1.25; Barnesville, Westminster League, 16.33; Bellaire, 1st, 10.58; Bethel, 10; Buffalo, 36; Crabapple, 14.95; Farmington, 3; Martin's Ferry, 12.45, Lilies of the Valley, 12, Chalfant Bd., 12; Mt. Pleasant, 15.80, Primary Bd., 4.40; Nottingham, 16.50; Pleasant Valley, 14.75; Rockhill, 2.50; Woodsfield, 2.35, 184.86

UNION.—Knoxville, 2d, 23.24; 4th, 35.03; Belle Ave., 3; Madisonville, 2.50; Mt. Zion, 5; New Market, 3.25; New Providence, 12; Rockford, 2.50; St. Paul, 4, Band, 6; Shannondale, 14, Band, 12.50; Spring Place, 8.98; South Knoxville, 21.65; Westminster, 3; Union Meeting Women's Miss. Soc. of Knoxville, 18.71, 175.46

WASHINGTON.—Burgettstown, 1st, 29.37, Golden Chain Bd., 30, Ten Per Cent. Bd., 12; Westm'r, 12; Cove, W. Va., 10; Fairview, 3.89; Forks of Wheeling, 27, Bessie Shaw Bd., 10; Frankfort, 5; Mt. Prospect, 25, S.C.E., 25; Upper Buffalo, 66.04, S.C.E., 10; Washington, 1st, 220, Sewing Society Aux., 52.50, Cornes Bd., 35; 2d, 62.84, Girls' Gleaners Bd., 34.35, Boys' Gleaners Bd., 8.75, Y.W. Bd., 10.50; Washington Female Seminary, 25; Wellsburg, 11.50; West Alexander, 50; Wheeling, 1st, 75; Vance Mem'l, 25, S.C.E. Jr., 5; Cunningham, Lester Mem'l, 45, 925.74

WASHINGTON CITY.—Anacostia, Garden Mem'l, 1.60, Guiding Star Bd., 1.75; Berwyn, Md., 2; Clifton, Va., 1.25; Darnestown, Md., S.C.E. Jr., 5.25; Eckington, 12, S.C.E., 3; Falls Church, Va., 24; Hyattsville, Md., 5, S.C.E., 10; Kensington, Md., Warner Mem'l, 5; Manassas, Va., 5.30; Riverdale, Md., 1.50, Vine Mission Bd., 1, S.C.E., 2.50; Takoma Park, Md., 9.75; Washington, 4th, 30, Junior Miss. Soc., 10.93; 6th, 10, Cheerful Givers, 5; 15th St., 6; Assembly, 10; Covenant, 239, Miss Inch's Class, 25, S.C.E., 7.50, Y.L. Guild, 60; Eastern, 8, Y.P.C., 3.75, S.C.E., 3.75; Gunton Temple, 36.15, Little Helpers, 3.57; Metropolitan, 47.50, Mateer Bd., 10, S.C.E. Int., 2; New York Ave., 250, Mission Bd., 18, L.L.B., 2, Y.W. Guild, 40, Bethany Chapel S.C.E., 22, Boys Brigade, 4.46, Current Events Club, 5; North, 7.50; Western, 30; West St., 25, S.C.E., 11; Westm'r Mem'l, Girls Guild, 10, L.L.B., 2.25, S.C.E., 3, 1,039.26

WELLSBORO.—Beecher's Island (Nelson), 2.50; Elkland, 6.80; Mansfield, 5.30; Tioga, 2.50, 17.10

WEST JERSEY.—Bridgeton, 2d, S.C.E., 25; West, S.C.E. Jr., 3; Bunker Hill (Sewell), S.C.E., 2, S.C.E. Jr., 2; Camden, 1st, 45.82; Calvary, 10; Cedarville, 12; Clayton, 20, S. C.E., 5; Cold Spring, 15; Haddonfield, 65; Merchantville, 22.92; Millville, S.C.E., 2; Salem, S.C.E., 2; Williamstown, S.C.E., 5, S.C.E. Jr., 1; Woodstown, 19.45, 257.19

WESTMINSTER.—Bellevue, 23; Chanceford, 35; Chestnut Level, 18.07; Leacock, 38.50; Little Britain, 12.50; Middle Octorara, 9.31; Slateville, 15; Stewartstown, S.C.E., 10.73; Wrightsville, 10.50; York, Calvary, S.C.E. Jr., 1.75, 174.36

WOOSTER.—Ashland, 3.25; Bellville, 2; Creston, 5.33; Hopewell, Holcomb Bd., 18; Lexington, 5.50; Mansfield, 20.05; Millersbnrg, 5.50; Orrville, S.C.E., 25; Savannah, 23.90; West Salem, 5; Wooster, 1st, 22.25; Westm'r, 37.60, Y.L. Bd., 11, 184.58

ZANESVILLE.—Brownsville, 7.85; Coshocton, 9, Little Workers, 1.31; Frazeysburg, 11.80; Fredericktown, 13; Granville, 63; Hanover, 4; High Hill, 8; Homer, 6; Jersey, 5, S.C.E., 5; Martinsburg, 4.25; Mt. Vernon, 25, S.C.E., 12.71; Newark, 1st, 5; Utica, 10; Zanesville, 1st, 22; 2d, 20, Y.L. Bd., 25; Putnam, 9, 266.92

MISCELLANEOUS.—A Lady, Newport, N.H., 4; Legacy Miss Hannah Moore Johnson, Germantown, Phila., 1,000; A Lady, Congress, O., 2; Cash, 10; "G.," Phila., 20; A Lady, Phila., 1,000; A Lady, Soochow, China, 25, 2,061.00

Total for January, 1903,	$17,419.66
Total since May 1, 1902,	69,097.13

(MISS) ELIZABETH H. ELDRIDGE, *Treas.*,
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Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest to Jan. 20, 1903.

*Indicates gifts for objects outside of appropriations.

ALTON.—Litchfield, Mrs. Lyman Marshall, $24.00

BLOOMINGTON.—Bement, 7.46, C.E., 10; Bloomington, 1st, 9; 2d, 86, Y.P.U., 15; Champaign, 24.45, Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Gunn, 12.50, C.E., 12.50, Jr. C.E., 15; Chenoa, 10.45, C.E., 5; Clarence, 5; Clinton, C.E., 400; Cooksville, 10; Danville, 1st, 10; El Paso, 2.70; Fairbury, 5, C.E., 27.50, Jr. C.E., 5; Farmer City, 1.50; Gilman, 5; Heyworth, 9; Homer, 6.25; Lexington, 11.96; Mansfield, 7.50; Normal, C.E., 10; Onarga, 15, C.E., 10, Mrs. A. L. Gould, 60; Philo, 67.70; Pontiac, 30; Tolono, 25.52; Towanda, 8.08; Urbana, 3; Waynesville, 5, 948 67

BOULDER.—Berthoud, 5, Jr. C.E., 6.25; Boulder, 26, C.E., 12; Brush, 2.50, C.E., 3.25; Cheyenne, 10, Jr. C.E., 5; Greeley, 10; Ft. Collins, 16.75; Ft. Morgan, 5, C.E., 4.50, Jr. C.E., 5; Leadville, 8.75; Longmont, 8, C.E., 15; Timnath, 9.75; Valmont, 1.45, 154.20

BUTTE.—Anaconda, 8; Butte, 1st, 7, 15.00

CAIRO.—Du Quoin, 9.00

CEDAR RAPIDS.—Bellevue, C.E., 1.65; Cedar Rapids, 1st, C.E., 12.50; 2d, C.E., 5; 3d, C.E., 1.35; Clarence, C.E., 5; Marion, Jr. C.E., 1.50; Onslow, C.E., 1.25; Scotch Grove, Sunbeam Bd., 2; Wyoming, C.E., 9, 39.25

CHIPPEWA.—Ashland, 3.69; Baldwin, 5; Hudson, 6.13; Ironwood, 3.70; Rice Lake, 1.75; Superior, 2; W. Superior, 13.60, 35.87

CHICAGO.—Austin, 1st, C.E., 25; Avondale, 2.50; Belden Ave. Ch., 13; Brookline Pk., C.E., 5; Calvary Ch., 5.95, C.E., 5; Campbell Pk., 7.18; Christ Ch., 7; Ch. of the Covenant, 7, Children's Soc., 11.10; 1st, 522.50, Helpful Workers, 2.50; 2d, 164; 4th, 221.01; 6th, 16, C.E., 20; Edgewater, 9.95; Endeavor Ch., 5; Englewood, 1st, 12.50; 41st St. Ch., 12.50; Hyde Pk., 111.50; Jefferson Pk., C.E., 20; Lake View, 2.50; Olivet Mem'l Ch., 11.61; Ridgeway Ave. Ch., 4.38; South Pk. Ch., 10; Woodlawn, 12; Coal City, 2.50; Evanston, 1st, 147.50, Noyes Circle, 31.25, C.E., 25; Herscher, 7, C.E., 2; Highland Pk., 22.25, C.E., 25; Hinsdale, 2.50; Joliet, Central Ch., 92.10; Kankakee, 2.50; Longwood, Union Evangelical Ch., Y.P.S., 3.50; Maywood, 7; Morgan Pk., 17.37, C.E., 9; Oak Pk., 2.50; Riverside, 5; Waukegan, 2, Winifred Pearce, 10; Anon., 16.85; Presbyterial Soc., 5, 1,684.50

CORNING.—Afton, Jr. C.E., 1; Red Oak, C.E., 15, 16.00

CRAWFORDSVILLE.—Attica, 13.65; Beulah, 10; Clinton, 8; Crawfordsville, Center Ch., 31; Lexington, N., 10; Dana, 10; Darlington, 5; Dayton, 40; Delphi, 32.50; Fountain Co. Missionary Assn., 20; Ladoga, 2; Lafayette, 1st, C.E., 10; 2d, 20; Lebanon, 20; Bethany Ch., 5; Newtown, 5; Rockville, 31.40; Rossville, 1.50; S. Lexington Ch., 5.34; Thorntown, 22, C.E., 5; Waveland, 9.25, 316.64

DENVER.—Denver, Central Ch., 60; 1st Ave. Ch., 16.50, Jr. C.E., 6; Highland Pk. Ch., 6; Hyde Pk., 6; North Ch., 12.60; 23d Ave. Ch., 25, C.E., 10; Westm'r Ch., 2.50; York St. Ch., C.E., 1.25; Golden, C.E., 20, 165.85

DETROIT.—Holly, 3.00

DUBUQUE.—Coggon, 2, C.E., 2, Jr. C.E., 11.64; Dubuque, 1st, 1.70; 2d, 18.10; Hazleton, 2; Hopkinton, 7.13, C.E., 11.23; Independence, 1st, C.E., 15.23; Jesup, 2.79; Manchester, 6.02, C.E., 1.83; Maynard, C.E., 1.12; Oelwein, 3; Otterville, 1.94; Cono Center Ch., 1.94; Pine Creek Ch., 10.77, 100.44

DULUTH.—Duluth, 2d, 17; Glen Avon, 2.47; Lakeview, 19.16, C.E., 9.20; Two Harbors, 16.91, C.E., 2.50, 67.24

FLINT.—Akron, C.E., 2.50, Jr. C.E., 1; Cass City, 2.50, C.E., 10; Fenton, 2.50; Flint, 5; Lapeer, 8.14, C.E., 1; Marlette, 1st, 4, C.E., 2; 2d, 4.50; Port Huron, 2.50; Vassar, C.E., 6, 51.64

FT. DODGE.—Algona, 15; Armstrong, 4.50; Boone, 5; Ft. Dodge, C.E., 24.25; Glidden, C.E., 25; Jefferson, 2.89, 76.64

FT. WAYNE.—Bluffton, 5, Whatsoever Bd., 1.25; Columbia City, 3.75; Elkhart, 30; Ft. Wayne, 1st, 112.05; 3d, C.E., 20.25; Bethany Ch., 6, C.E., 1, Y.L.M., 1.63; Goshen, 24.16; Huntington, 50; Kendallville, 6.70; Lima, 48; Ossian, 4; Pierceton, C.E., 3, 316.79

FREEPORT.—Argyle, Willow Creek Ch., 76.20, Y.P.S., 8; Belvidere, 4, C.E., 29.50; Freeport, 1st, 50; 2d, 7.50; Harvard, 1.80; Oregon, 11.08; Polo, 8.97; Rockford, Guilford Gleaners, 50; 1st, C.E., 50; Westm'r Ch., 44.83, C.E., 13.29; Winnebago, 20.63; Woodstock, 14.50; Middlecreek Ch., 49.74, 440.04

GUNNISON.—Glenwood, 8; Gunnison, 5, C.E., 5; Grand Junction, 2.50; Leadville, 7, C.E., 3; Salida, 2.50, C.E., 2.50, 35.50

HASTINGS.—Campbell, C.E., 2; Edgar, C.E., 1.25; Hansen, C.E., 10; Hastings, 26.45, C.E., 6; Holdrege, 6.30; Kenesaw, C.E., 5; Superior, 1.10, C.E., 1.12, Jr. C.E., 70 cts., 59.92

HELENA.—Boulder, 5; Bozeman, 8.44; Helena, 8.50; Miles City, 3, 24.94

INDIANAPOLIS.—Bloomington, 6.35; Hopewell, 10, C.E., 7.50; Indianapolis, 1st, 105.31; Mem'l Ch., C.E., 1; Spencer, 7, 137.16

IOWA.—Burlington, 1st, 56.60, King's Children, 24.56; Fairfield, 25, Gleaners, 11.83, C.E., 20; Ft. Madison, 17.27; Keokuk, Westm'r Ch., C.E., 10; Kossuth, 2.40; Mediapolis, 20, Jr. Bd., 1.75; Middletown, 9.06; Morning Sun, 10, C.E., 5; Mt. Pleasant, 14, 227.47

IOWA CITY.—Brooklyn, 9.50; Conroy, 6; Davenport, 1st, Y.P.S., 22.50; Hermann, C.E., 7; Iowa City, 41.25; Scott Ch., 4; Unity Ch., 9; Le Claire, 3; Marengo, 14.58; Muscatine, 20, C.E., 8.50; Tipton, 1st, 2.65; Red Oak Grove, 2.50; Washington, 24; W. Branch, 2.50, C.E., 5; W. Liberty, 32.50; What Cheer, 3.50; Wilton, 29, 246.98

KALAMAZOO.—Benton Harbor, 4.15; Kalamazoo, 1st, 30.35; Niles, 5.50; Paw Paw, 3; Richland, C.E., 1.76; Three Rivers, 4.93, 49.69

KEARNEY.—Central City, 22, C.E., 6.25; Fullerton, 7.50, Jr. C.E., 3; Grand Island, 20; Gibbon, 3, C.E., 2; Kearney, 5.50, C.E., 9.35; Lexington, 2.30; Litchfield, 2.50, C.E., 1.25; Mira Creek, Wilson Mem'l Ch., 1; N. Loup, 2; N. Platte, 9.65; St. Edwards, 10; St. Paul, 4; Shelton, 2; Wood River, 4.50, 117.80

KENDALL.—Idaho Falls, 10; Montpelier, Jr. C.E., 10, 20.00

LAKE SUPERIOR.—Escanaba, 17; Iron River, Jr. C.E., 50 cts.; Ishpeming, 34; Marquette, 32, C.E., 20; Menominee, 42, C.E., 15; Negaunee, 4; Sault Ste. Marie, 10, 174.50

LANSING.—Albion, 13.59; Battle Creek, 37; Brooklyn, 20; Concord, 15, C.E., 2.50; Homer, 8.68; Jackson, 8; Franklin St. Ch., 14; Marshall, 7; Mason, 10, 135.77

LOGANSPORT.—Bethlehem Ch., 2; Bourbon, 2; Brookston, 2.50; Buffalo, 75 cts.; Concord, 3.87; Hammond, 6.60; La Porte, 59.06; Logansport, 1st, 10; Broadway Ch., 26.15, Mrs. Isaac N. Crawford, 8.75; Mishawaka, 10; Monon, 5; Monticello, 8.95; Meadow Lake Ch., 3; Plymouth, 4.60; Rensselaer, 7; Remington, 2.50, C.E., 20; Rochester, 3.25, Jr. C.E., 2; South Bend, Westm'r Bd., 5; Interest, 60 cts., 193.58

MADISON.—Platteville, German Ch., 5.00

MANKATO.—Alpha, 2.60, C.E., 2; Amboy, C.E., 3.50; Blue Earth, 15.50; Delhi, 15.50; Jackson, 13.45; Kasota, 9; Le Sueur, 6.25; Luverne, 5; Mankato, 12.73, C.E., 12.50; Marshall, 9.58; Morgan, 2.60; Pilot Grove, 8; Pipestone, 1.75, C E., 1.18; Rushmore, C E., 5; Slayton, 5.15; St. Peter, 6.40; Tracy, 16; Windom, 2.60; Winnebago City, 10.10; Worthington, 8.88, 175.27

MATTOON.—Arcola, 5; Ashmore, 6.30; Assumption, 4.90; Charlestown, 7.55; Kansas, 24.40; Mattoon, 3.45; Moweaqua, 50 cts.; Palestine, 7; Pana, 25; Paris, 82.41; Shelbyville, 31.50; Taylorville, 25.50; Tower Hill, 5; Tuscola, 4; Vandalia, 12.50, 245.01

MILWAUKEE.—Waukesha, Carroll College, 5.00

MINNEAPOLIS.—Howard Lake, 1; Maple Plain, 2; Minneapolis, Andrew Ch., 33, Soldiers of the Cross, 8; Bethlehem Ch., 14.20; 5th, 8.56; Grace Ch., 3.70; Highland Pk. Ch., 33.10, Sunshine Bd., 3.15, King's Messengers, 18; House of Faith Ch., 1.50; Oliver Ch., 10.85; Stewart Mem'l Ch., 18.75; Westm'r Ch., 19.20, Y.W.S., 52.97; Oak Grove Ch., 1; Waverly, 1.50, 230.48

MONROE.—Adrian, 40; Blissfield, 10, C.E., 1; Cadmus, Dover Ch., 75 cts.; Coldwater, 5.43; Hillsdale, 23; Holloway, Raisin Ch., 5, C.E., 1.35; Jonesville, 10; Monroe, 14.50, C. E., 5.40; Reading, 1.25, C.E., 1.53; Tecumseh, 24.50, Circle, 6, 149.71

MUNCIE.—Alexandria, 5; Anderson, 30, Willing Workers, 3.25, C.E., 4; Elwood, 7, C.E., 2; Hartford, City, 5; Gas City, 10; La Gro, 1.50; Marion, 35; Muncie, 115, C.E., 5; Noblesville, 4; Peru, 12.67; Tipton, 4; Wabash, 30; Winchester, 10.60, 284.02

NEBRASKA CITY.—Adams, C.E., 6; Alexandria, 1.10; Beatrice, 1st, 34.40; Fairbury, 5.26; Falls City, C.E., 4.55; Firth, 16.60; Hebron, 20; Lincoln, 1st, 19.74, C.E., 19.40; 2d, 9.92; 3d, 1.85; Palmyra, 3.20; Pawnee, 4.80; Plattsmouth, 9; Tecumseh, 8. 163.82

NEW ALBANY.—Bedford, 5; Brownstown, C.E., 4.33; Corydon, 3.35; Hanover, 5.70; Lexington, C.E., 1.50; Madison, 1st, 9, Y.L. Bd., 20, C.E., 5; 2d, 10; New Albany, 1st, 12; 2d, C.E., 3.25; 3d, 5.55, C.E., 3.75, Inter. C.E., 2; Paoli, C.E., 2.50; Salem, 8.40; Scipio, 1; Vernon, 8.70; Vevay, 1.75, 112.78

NIOBRARA.—Coleridge, 6; Emerson, 5.30; Hartington, 5; Laurel, 4.40; Pender, 3.40; Ponca, 6.80; Wakefield, 5; Wayne, 5.50; Winnebago, 5.60, 47.00

PEMBINA.—Bathgate, 8; Park River, 7.21; Pembina, 7; Rushford, 2, 24.21

PEORIA.—Canton, 5, C.E., 3; Delavan, 6, C.E., 5; Dunlap, 6; Farmington, 6, C.E., 3; Galesburg, 27; Hanna City, Salem Ch., 4, C.E., 2; Green Valley, 8; Lewistown, 11; Peoria, 1st, 17, E. R. Edwards Bd., 15, Little Lights, 3, C.E., 6; 2d, 24; Grace Ch., 10; Westm'r Ch., 5; Princeville, 6.75, C.E., 6.25; Toulon, Elmira Ch., 7.50, C.E., 6.25; Vermont, 1, 193.75

PETOSKEY.—Cadillac, 5; Harbor Springs, 14.25; Mackinaw City, 1.50; Petoskey, 4.50, 25.25

RED RIVER.—Fergus Falls, 40; Western, 3.50. 43.50

SAGINAW.—Alma, 17.75; Alpena, 5.82; Bay City, 1st, 6.33,

S.S., 35.54; Mem'l Ch., 7.50; Midland, 3.88; Saginaw, Warren Ave. Ch., 19.08; Washington Ave. Ch., 7; Immanuel Ch., 4.61; Westm'r Ch., 25, 132.51

ST. PAUL.—St. Paul, Central Ch., 23.25; Dayton Ave. Ch., C.E., 24.25; 1st, 12, C.E., 5; House of Hope Ch., 57; Macalester Ch., 13.24; Merriam P'k., Van Cleve Soc., 27.30, C.E., 13.40, 175.44

SCHUYLER.—Nauvoo, 2.00

SPRINGFIELD.—Athens, N. Sangamon Ch., 15; Bates, 39.50, C.E., 1.90, Willing Workers, 1; Chatham, 6, Little Light Bearers, 25 cts.; Decatur, 38, Westm'r Soc., 5; Divernon, 10, C.E., 7.50; Greenview, 8 40; Jacksonville, State St. Ch., 20.25; Westm'r Ch., 34.60; Portuguese Soc., 5; Macon, 2.30; Maroa, 3; Mason City, 6; Petersburg, 9; Springfield, 1st, E. J. Brown Soc., 53. Busy Bees, *40; Portuguese Ch., *15; Sweetwater and Irish Grove, 7.08, 327.78

SIOUX CITY.—Alta, 2 27, C.E., 6.40; Battle Creek, C.E., 35; Cherokee, 25; Cleghorn, 5, C.E., 2.50; Early, 3; Ida Grove, 5.50, C.E., 10; Ireton, C.E., 3.50; Le Mars, 10; Odebolt, 80 cts.; O'Leary, Union Tp. Ch., 12, C.E., 4.50; Paullina, 6.50; Sac City, 5, C.E., 2; Schaller, 3; Sioux City, 1st, 3.03; 2d, 5; 3d, C.E., 2.50; Morningside, 1; Storm Lake, 14, C.E., 32; Pilgrim Ch., 10.25; Vail, 1.50; Wall Lake, C.E., 2.50, 213.75

VINCENNES.—Evansville, Grace Ch., 16.73; Springdale, C.E., 1.50, Jr. C.E., 50 cts.; Parke Mem'l Ch., 5; Walnut St. Ch., 48; Petersburg, 1, Little Light Bearers, 68 cts.; Princeton, 10; Rockport, 5; Royal Oak, 3.47; Sullivan, 14; Terre Haute, Central Ch., 18, C.E., 2.50; Washington Ave. Ch., 5.92; Vincennes, 8.40, Heart and Hand Soc., 6; Washington, 20.90, 167.60

WATERLOO.—Ackley, 6.50; Aplington, 1.10; Greene, 3.75; Marshalltown, 5; State Center, 18.15; Williams, 1.95, 36.45

WINNEBAGO.—Shawano, C.E., 3.00

WINONA.—Albert Lea, 32; Alden, C.E., 2; Chester, C.E., 2.60; Cummingsville, C.E., 1; Kasson, 3, C.E., 10; Owatonna, 17.50; Rochester, 10, 78.10

MISCELLANEOUS.—Dr. Louise Helmka Kestor, 4.25; Individual Giver, 3, 7.25

Total for month,	$8,736.16
Total receipts since April 20, 1902,	36,953.90

MRS. C. B. FARWELL, *Treas.*,
Room 48, Le Moyne Block, 40 East Randolph Street.
CHICAGO, Jan. 20, 1903.

Receipts of the Women's Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church for Jan., 1903.

* Indicates Praise Offering.

BOSTON.—Haverhill, 2.75, Jr. C.E., 1.20; Hyde Park, C.E., 6.25; Lowell, 27, C.E., 25; Lynn, C.E., 12.50; Newburyport, 1st, C.E., 6.55; Portland, 5; Providence, 7.50, C.E., 12.50; Quincy, C.E., 8.75; So. Ryegate, 5; Woonsocket, 2, Helpful Gleaners Bd., 1; Worcester, 4, $127.00

BROOKLYN.—Brooklyn, Ainslee St., C.E., 60; Bethany, Jr. C.E., 5; Central, 50; Duryea, 9.23; 1st, 52.29; Greene Ave., 7.51, C.E., 5.32; Lafayette Ave., 500; Mem'l, 30.33; Prospect Hts., C.E., 10; Ross St., 8.75, C.E., 50; South 3d St., C.E., 10; Westm'r, 4.99, Y.L., 5, C.E., 5; Stapleton, S.I., 1st Edgewater, 11.67, 825.09

CAYUGA.—Auburn, 1st, 580; Calvary, 5.86; Dryden, 5; Meridian, 17.50; Port Byron, 5, 613 36

CHEMUNG.—Burdett, 10; Elmira, 1st, 26.25; Lake St., 38; North, 20; Mecklenburg, 13.50; Montour Falls, 9, C.E., 60 cts.; Morcland, 4.95, *5.25; Watkins, 55, 180.55

GENESEE.—Attica, 14.02, Bd., 3.53; Batavia, 100; Bergen, 10.60; Castile, 5.18; Le Roy, 22.30, *22.70; Warsaw, 5, *48, Jr. C.E., 8, 239.33

HUDSON.—Circleville, 2; Florida, C.E., 20; Goshen, Y.L., 9.57; Haverstraw, 12.50; Otisville, 4.33; Ramapo, 21.90, 70.30

LOUISVILLE.—Louisville, Covenant, 8; 4th Ave., 83.70; 4th Ch., 3.30; Warren Mem'l, 75, L.L. Guild, 150, 320.00

LYONS.—Mrs. Seeley, 250; Sodus, 15, 265.00

MORRIS AND ORANGE.—Morristown, 1st, 200.00

NASSAU.—Astoria, Jr. C.E., 2; Elmhurst, Newtown, C.E., 18; Freeport, Jr. C.E., 8; Glen Cove, C.E., 10; Hempstead, 25. C.E., 5.68; Huntington, Central, 4; Islip, C.E., 10; Jamaica, 15, C.E., 5; Oyster Bay, 10; Smithtown, C.W. Bd., 10, Jr. C.E., 2, 124.68

NEW YORK.—Bethany, C.E., 16.50; Central, Y.W., 35, C.E., 150, Inter. C.E., 10, C.E. 5x2=10 Fund, 120.40; 5th Ave., 110, Y.W. 100, 4th Ave., C.E., 75; 14th St., Y.W., 15; C.E., 8.12; New York, C.E., 13.18; Olivet, Miss. Asso., 90; Park, 60; Scotch, 60.35; Sea and Land, 11.73; University Place, Light Bearers Bd., 35; West, 50; West End, C.E., 30, Jr. C. E., 20; Woodstock, 5; 1st Union, 21, 1,036.28

OTSEGO.—Cherry Valley, 10; Cooperstown, 12.50; Delhi, 1st, 20; 2d, 12.50; East Guilford, C.E., 6; Gilbertsville, 19.00; New Berlin, C.E., 5; Oneonta, 8.75; Unadilla, 3, 96.75

ROCHESTER.—Groveland, 4.87; Honeoye Falls, 3; Mendon, Do-What-You-Can Bd., 3; Rochester, Brick, 75, C.E., 19.05; 3d, 9.25, 114.17

SYRACUSE.—Hannibal, C.E., 3.10

UTICA.—Boonville, 37.93; Clinton, 23; Holland Patent, 10, *12.43, S.S., 6; Ilion, 51.72, C.E., 10; Kirkland, 12; Little Falls, 127; Lowville, 30.47; New York Mills, 35; Walcott Mem'l, Y.L., 40; Oneida, 30, S.S., 50, Home Dept., S.S., 25; Redfield, C.E., 3 50; Rome, 89, C.E., 17.61, S.S., 25; Sauquoit, 39.16; So. Trenton, 12; Utica, Bethany, 75, 1st, 160; Mrs. Goldthwaithe, 125. Do Good Bd., 10, Home Dept., S.S., 5; Mem'l, 70; Olivet, 10; Westm'r, 115, *10; Verona, 23, S, S. Miss. Soc., 15; Whitesboro, 7.50; Waterville, 11; Westernville, 25.50, C.E., 20, S.S., 5; West Camden, S.S. Miss. Soc., 7, 1,430.82

WESTCHESTER.—Bedford, C.E., 20; Brewster, S.E. Center, 5, C.E., 10; Bridgeport, Hope Miss. Bd. 5; Croton Falls, 2.50; Dobbs Ferry, Greenburgh, 15; New Rochelle, 1st, 13; Patterson, 5; Peekskill, 1st and 2d, 12.50; 2d, C.E., 5.85; Rye, 92.98; Stanford, 1st, 100; White Plains, 25; Yorktown, 25, 336.83

MISCELLANEOUS.—Nat. Soldiers' Home, Va., Mrs. Bradley, 5; Miss M. Millar and Friend, 20; Miss C. de Nottbeck, 300; Int. Dodge Fund, 100; Int. Riesch Fund, 50; Int. on Deposit, 75.70; Coll. prayer-meeting, 25.62, 576.32

Total for month,	$6,559.58
Total for year,	44,879.47

HENRIETTA W. HUBBARD, *Treas.*,
156 Fifth Ave., New York City.

Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions of the Southwest for the month ending Jan. 24, 1903.

ARIZONA.—Peoria, $3.10

EMPORIA.—Belle Plaine, 10, C.E., 5; Burlingame, 9.20; Burlington. 2.25; Conway Springs, 4; El Dorado, 15.83; Emporia, 19.23; Peabody, 9.97; Quenemo. 5; Wellington, 35.45; Wichita, 1st, Y.P. League, 17; Lincoln St., 3.50; West Side, Jr. C.E., 3 75; Winfield, 5, 145.18

HANNIBAL.—Brookfield, 7.25; Kirksville, 5; Louisiana, 1; Macon, 6; Marceline, 1.50; Milan, 3.95; Moberly, 4.74; New Cambria, 4.40, C.E., 1; New Providence, 5, 39.84

KANSAS CITY.—Butler, 10; Clinton, 6; Creighton, 3; Fairview, 3; Holden, 2, C.E., 3.60; Independence, 16.30, Band, 18.75; Jefferson City, 3.47; Kansas City, 1st, 27.20, C.E., 13.40; 2d, 129.60; 4th, 5; 5th, 14.56; Linwood, 5; Lowry City, 3.57; Osceola, 2.58; Raymore, 2.90, Jr. C.E., 50 cts.; Sedalia, Broadway, 4.50; Central, 24; Vista, 3.18; Warrensburg, 8.50, 310.61

LARNED.—Arlington, C.E., 2.00

NEOSHO.—Bartlett, 2.50, Band, 25 cts.; Cherryvale, 1.25; Humboldt, 9.25; Independence, 4.10; Iola, 9.50, C.E., 6.50; Paola, 10; Parsons, Band, 6.36; Pittsburg, 3, 52.71

NORTH TEXAS.—Denison, 5.65

OKLAHOMA.—Edmond, 9.50; Guthrie, 8.96; Norman, 11.50, 29.96

OZARK.—Ash Grove, 2.65; Carthage, 8.35, Y.W.M.S., 12.50; Westm'r, 7.55; Eureka Springs, 5; Greenfield, 5; Joplin, 1.31; Mt. Vernon, 4.62; Neosho, 3, C.E., 3.75; Ozark Prairie, 2; Springfield, 2d, 2.65; Webb City, 2.50; West Plains, 5.17, C.E., 4, 70.05

OSBORNE.—Calvert, Mrs. Bieber, 75 cts.; Colby, 22; Natoma, 5; Osborne, 6.25; Phillipsburg, 1.35; Russel, 4.77; Tully, 1; Wa Keeney, 4.75, 45.87

PLATTE.—Avalon, 5; Chillicothe, 2.50; Craig, 4; Grant City, 5.25, C.E., 5; Hamilton, 7.25, C.E., 3.19; King City, 4; Maitland, 3; Martinsville, 1.59; New Hampton, 15.09; New Point, 3; Parkville, 19.90; St. Joseph, Westm'r, 45; Hope, 2.50, Jr. C.E., 1.50; 3d St., 3.60; Tarkio, 15, Band, 6; Trenton, 2.50; Weston, 8.30, 163.17

SANTA FÉ.—E. Las Vegas, 15; Santa Fé, 3.70, 18 70

SOLOMON.—Abilene, 13; Bennington, 5; Beloit, 10; Caledonia, 2.58; Culver, 1.20; Lincoln, 12.50, Jr. C.E., 1.95; Mt. Pleasant, 5; Minneapolis, 2.73; Salina, 9, C.E. No. 2, 5; Solomon, 10.45, C.E., 1, 79.41

TOPEKA.—Baldwin, 2.33; Clay Center, 20; Idana, 1.60; Junction City, 18.25; Kansas City, Central, 10; 1st, 11; Lawrence, 3; Leavenworth, C.E., 15; Olathe, 2.50; Osca loosa, 2.07; Riley, C.E., 5; Sedalia, 5; Stanley, 4; Topeka, 1st, 50, Jr. C.E., 6; 3d, 4.25; Westm'r, 5.65; Vinland, 1.55, 167.20

TRINITY.—Albany, Matthews Mem'l, 23.30; Dallas, 2d, 12.50, 35.80

West Point, Miss., Mary Holmes Sem., 8.10

MISCELLANEOUS.—Advertisements, 3; Interest, 4.65, 7.65

Total for month,	$1,188.30
Total to date,	7,048.90

MRS. WILLIAM BURG, *Treas.*,
Jan. 24, 1903. 1756 Missouri Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

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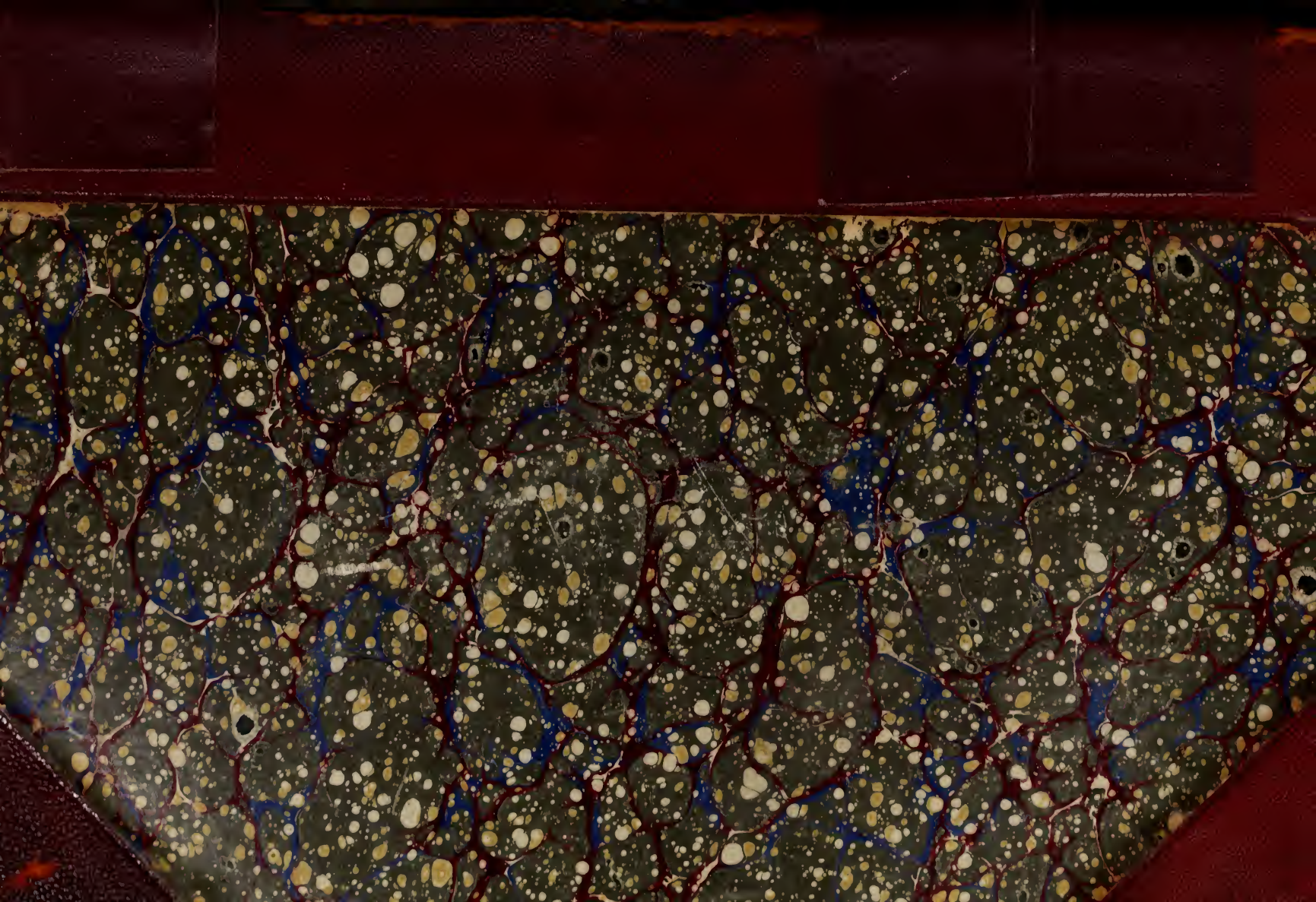
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